

California Trauma System 2019: From The State Perspective

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Objectives

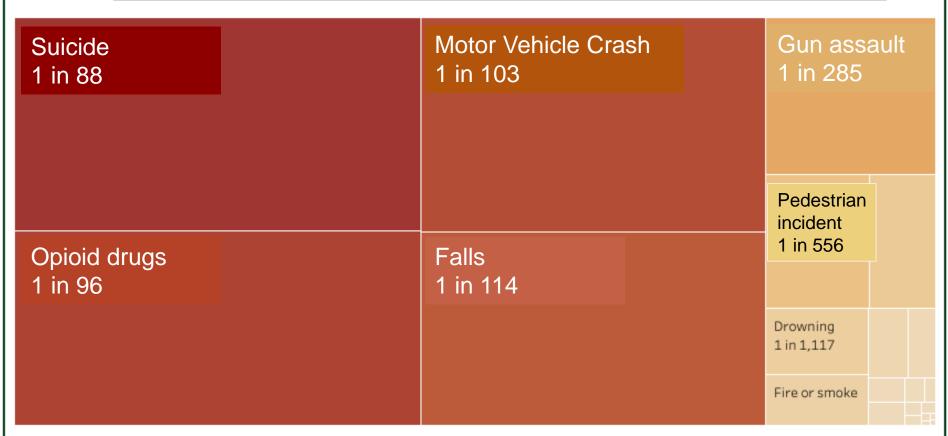
- Describe the structure of the California Trauma System
- Discuss State policies and initiatives
- Explore the significance of pertinent new research on EMS--trauma

10 Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, United States - 2017

		Age Groups								
Rank	<1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
1	Congenital Anomalies 4,580	Unintentional Injury 1,267	Unintentional Injury 718	Unintentional Injury 860	Unintentional Injury 13,441	Unintentional Injury 25,669	Unintentional Injury 22,828	Malignant Neoplasms 39,266	Malignant Neoplasms 114,810	Heart Disease 519,052
2	Short Gestation 3,749	Congenital Anomalies 424	Malignant Neoplasms 418	Suicide 517	Suicide 6,252	Suicide 7,948	Malignant Neoplasms 10,900	Heart Disease 32,658	Heart Disease 80,102	Malignant Neoplasms 427,896
3	Matemal Pregnancy Comp. 1,432	Malignant Neoplasms 325	Congenital Anomalies 188	Malignant Neoplasms 437	Homicide 4,905	Homicide 5,488	Heart Disease 10,401	Unintentional Injury 24,461	Unintentional Injury 23,408	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 136,139
4	SIDS 1,363	Homicide 303	Homicide 154	Congenital Anomalies 191	Malignant Neoplasms 1,374	Heart Disease 3,681	Suicide 7,335	Suicide 8,561	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 18,667	Cerebro- vascular 125,653
5	Unintentional Injury 1,317	Heart Disease 127	Heart Disease 75	Homicide 178	Heart Disease 913	Malignant Neoplasms 3,616	Homicide 3,351	Liver Disease 8,312	Diabetes Mellitus 14,904	Alzheimer's Disease 120,107
6	Placenta Cord. Membranes 843	Influenza & Pneumonia 104	Influenza & Pneumonia 62	Heart Disease 104	Congenital Anomalies 355	Liver Disease 918	Liver Disease 3,000	Diabetes Mellitus 6,409	Liver Disease 13,737	Diabetes Mellitus 59,020
7	Bacterial Sepsis 592	Cerebro- vascular 66	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 59	Chronic Low Respiratory Disease 75	Diabetes Mellitus 248	Diabetes Mellitus 823	Diabetes Mellitus 2,118	Cerebro- vascular 5,198	Cerebro- vascular 12,708	Unintentional Injury 55,951
8	Circulatory System Disease 449	Septicemia 48	Cerebro- vascular 41	Cerebro- vascular 56	Influenza & Pneumonia 190	Cerebro- vascular 593	Cerebro- vascular 1,811	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 3,975	Suicide 7,982	Influenza & Pneumonia 46,862
9	Respiratory Distress 440	Benign Neoplasms 44	Septicemia 33	Influenza & Pneumonia 51	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 188	HIV 513	Septicemia 854	Septicemia 2,441	Septicemia 5,838	Nephritis 41,670
10	Neonatal Hemorrhage 379	Perinatal Period 42	Benign Neoplasms 31	Benign Neoplasms 31	Complicated Pregnancy 168	Complicated Pregnancy 512	HIV 831	Homicide 2,275	Nephritis 5,671	Parkinson's Disease 31,177

Lifetime Odds of Dying for Selected Causes, United States, 2017

Deaths 17 47,173



Source: National Center for Health Statistics.--Mortality Data for 2017 as compiled from data provided by the 57 vital statistics jurisdictions through the Vital Statistics Cooperative Program. Deaths are classified on the basis of the Tenth Revision of "The International Classification of Diseases" (ICD-10), which became effective in 1999.



Why and How Trauma Patients Die Callcut R, et al. J Trauma Acute Care Surg. 2019 Jan 10

- 18 trauma centers prospectively enrolled
 - 1563 adult trauma pts (74.5% male)
- Mechanism: falls most common (26.6%),
 - GSW second (24.3%)
- Cause of death
 - TBI 45% (non-survivable 82.2%)
 - Exsanguination 23%
 - Exsanguination predominant early and TBI later

California Trauma System

Trauma Centers

Patient Care, Quality

Trauma
Director,
Coordinator,
Medical Staff

Local EMS Agencies

Medical Direction,
Procedures, Plan,
Designation,
Policies,
Implement /
Evaluate
EMS
Administrator,
Medical Director

RTCCs

Regional
Collaboration/
coordination,
QA/PI
(note: no
authority over
LEMSA)

Chair, Trauma
Coordinator &
LEMSA Staff

EMS Authority

Regulation, Data, Quality, Oversight

Trauma
Coordinator,
EMSA staff

TRAUMA CENTERS BY DESIGNATION

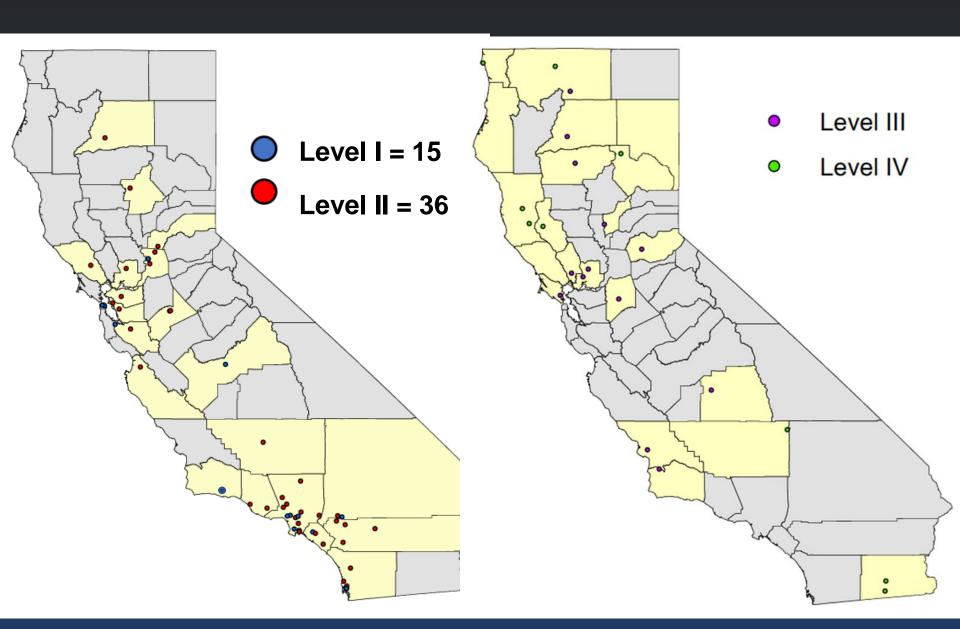
TOTAL: https://emsa.ca	a.gov/
TOTAL:	80
Level IV Trauma Center	11
Level III Trauma Center	13
Level II Trauma Center	32
Level I Trauma Center	5
Level II Trauma Center & Level II Pediatric Trauma Center	4
Level I Trauma Center & Level II Pediatric Trauma Center	6
Level I Trauma Center & Level I Pediatric Trauma Center	4
Level II Pediatric Trauma Center Only	2
Level I Pediatric Trauma Center Only	3



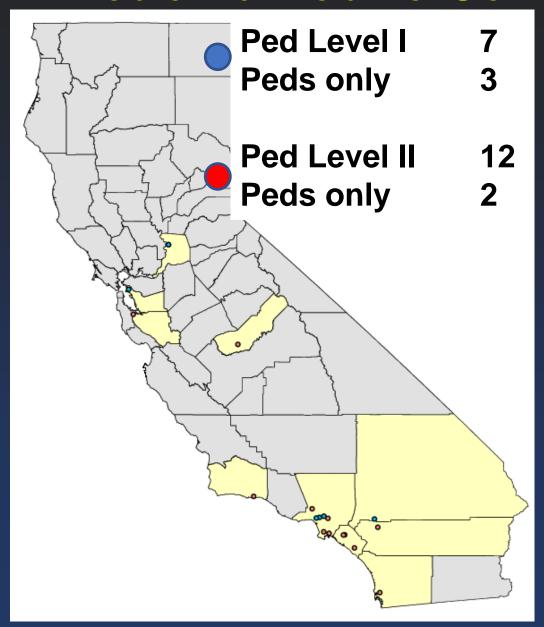
Regional Trauma Coordinating Committees



Adult Trauma Centers



Pediatric Trauma Centers



Triple Designated Centers



Stroke, STEMI, EMSC Regulations

- Stroke and STEMI approved by the Office of Administrative Law last week!
- EMSC pending at OAL

Trauma Regulations Revision

- Appoint work group of technical experts
- Delineate new policy concepts and significant changes prior to drafting

Policy issue: Verification vs Designation

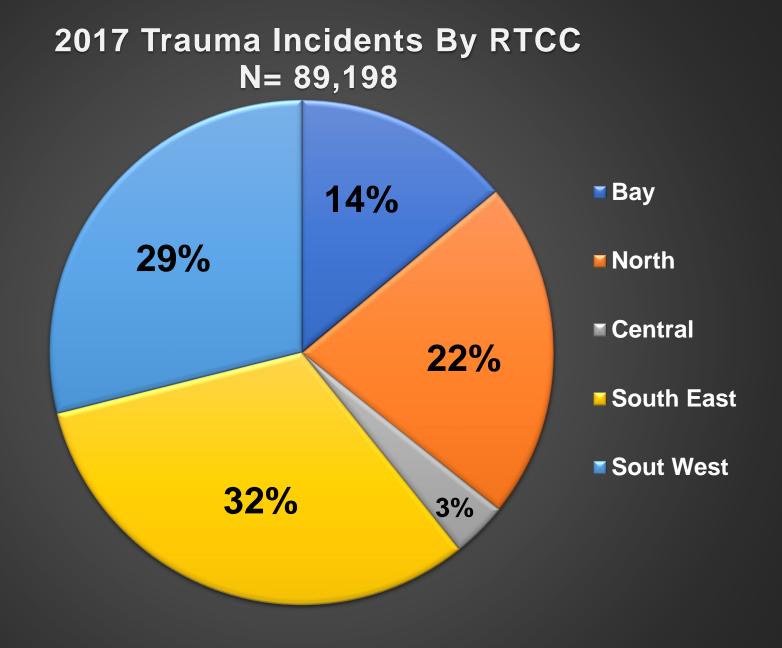
Level I Adult Trauma Centers ACS Verified	15	
Level I Adult Trauma Centers LEMSA Designated	14	
Level II Adult Trauma Centers ACS Verified	34	
Level II Adult Trauma Centers LEMSA Designated	36	
Level III AdultTrauma Centers ACS Verified	11	
Level III Adult Trauma Centers LEMSA Designated	13	
Level IV Adult Trauma Centers LEMSA Designated (No ACS)	11	
Total Adult Trauma Centers ACS Verified (LI-III)	60	
Total Adult Trauma Centers LEMSA Designated (LI-IV)		
Total Combined Adult Trauma Centers (ACS & LEMSA)		

Pediatric Trauma Centers

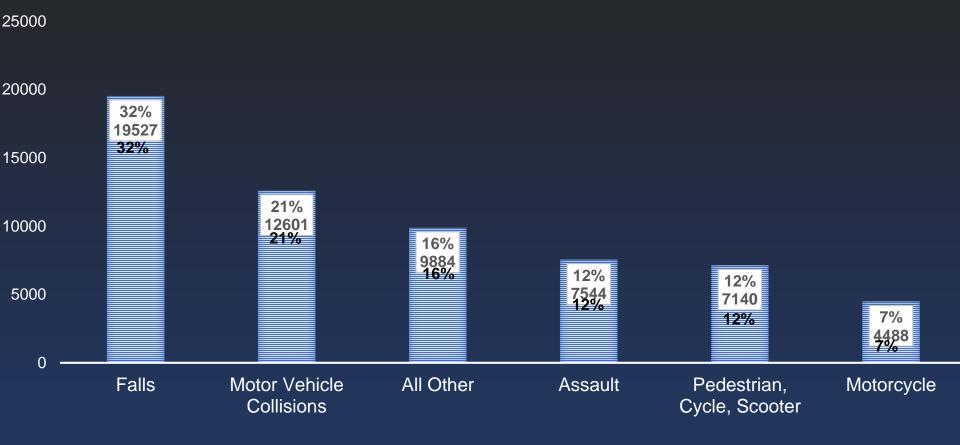
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CEMSIS and Trauma Data

- 31/33 LEMSA reporting some or all
 - > 60% provider agencies reporting
 - 3.9 million records for 2018
- Trauma
 - 78/80 centers reporting data



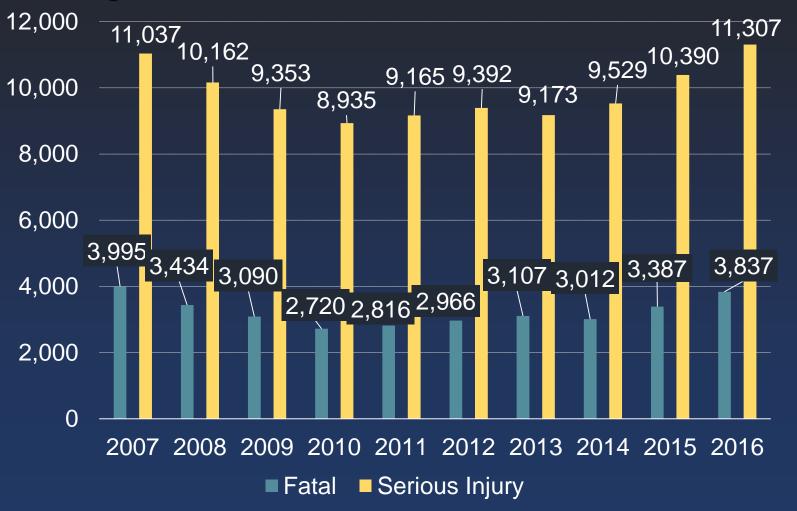
2017 TRAUMA INCIDENTS (N = 61,184)



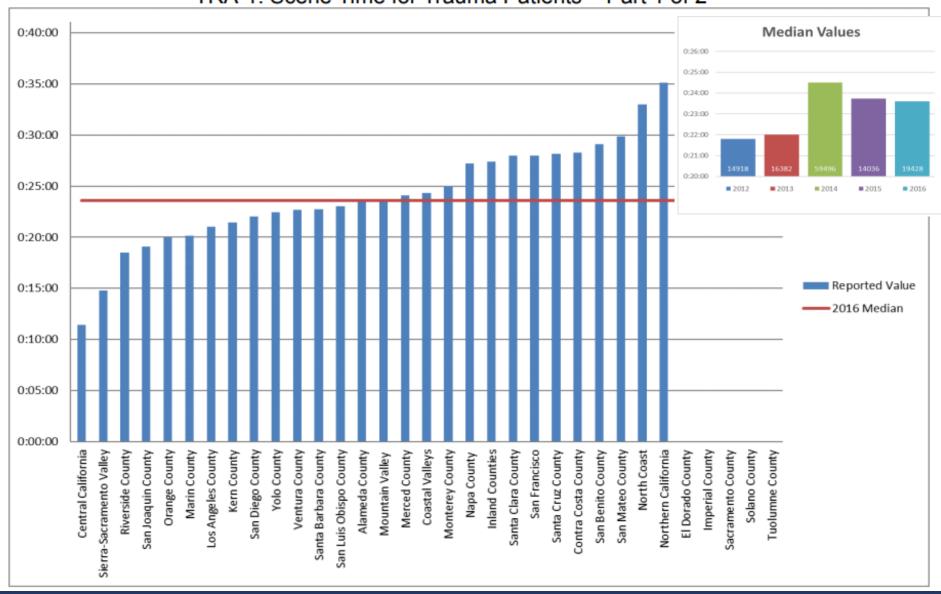
Trauma Incident Type and Percent of Total Incidents

*Source: EMS Authority, CEMSIS-Trauma, April 5, 2019

Traffic Collision Fatalities and Serious Injuries California 2007-2016



TRA-1: Scene Time for Trauma Patients – Part 1 of 2



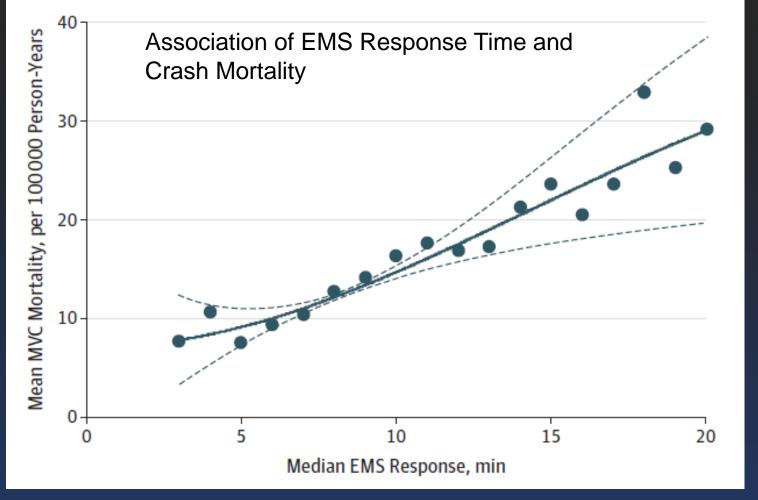
Prehospital scene time and interventions on mortality outcomes Ruelas OS, et al. PEC 2018:22

- Retrospective NEMSIS 2014 data
 - 2,018,141 cases included: 96.1% blunt, 3.9% penetrating; total severe=227,032
- Scene times
 - Blunt: 18.1 \pm 36.5; penetrating 16.0 \pm 45.3 min
- Procedures: blunt died in the ED=6.5 \pm 4.3, admitted= 3.1 \pm 2.3; penetrating 5.7 \pm 3.4; 2.6 \pm 2.0
- Penetrating trauma significantly higher prehospital and ED mortality
- Increased scene time and # procedures associated with higher mortality

Association of EMS Response Time and Crash Mortality (2013-2015)

- Population study using NEMSIS and NHTSA data
- 2,214,480 ambulance responses in 2268 counties
- Median county response time 9 minutes (7-11)
- Higher MVC mortality ≥12 min vs < 7 minutes (mortality ratio 1.46; 95% CI, 1.32-1.61)
 - Held across urban and rural
- Efforts to address regional disparities in MVC mortality should evaluate EMS response times as a potential contributor

James P. Byrne, et al. JAMA Surg. Published online February 6, 2019.



Counties with level I or II trauma centers had crash mortality rates 35% lower than those with no nearby trauma center.

State laws allowing higher speed limits were associated with greater mortality.

James P. Byrne, et al. JAMA Surg. Published online February 6, 2019.

TRA-2: Direct Transport to Designated Trauma Center for Trauma Patients Meeting Criteria

– Part 1 of 2



Statewide Trauma System Retriage and Transfer Resource Guide 2019

- Re-triage is the urgent/emergent transport of a critically injured patient from a non-trauma facility ED or lower level Trauma Center to the appropriate level for definitive care.
- Toolkit to assist local EMS agencies develop transfer and triage policies and procedures
- Public comment Jan 4-Feb 17
- Present to EMS Commission, June 2019

Health Information Exchange matching grant from CMS

- Grant to link EMS and hospitals
- Better deterministic patient matching for information exchange
- ALERT phase delivers better digital information to the ED
 - Advance notification allows trauma team activation
- RECONCILE: PHI from hospital for QI
 - Match ePCR 1º impression to hospital ICD10
 - Admission, Discharge, and Transfer outcome
- DHCS has additional grant for hospitals

Unified Paramedic Scope of Practice (Local Optional SOP)

- 1. Pediatric intubation
- 2. RSI (rapid sequence induction) medication administration including: sedatives, paralytics, analgesics, and induction agents
- 3. Supraglottic airways
- 4. Video laryngoscopy (indirect laryngoscopy)
- I/O (intraosseous access) for both adult and pediatrics
- Ventilator initiation, maintenance and management

TXA prehospital Local Optional Scope Approved

- Alameda
- Riverside
- San Luis Obispo
- Santa Barbara
- Ventura
- Yolo
- Inland Counties
- Sierra-Sac Valley

- Sacramento
- Merced
- NorCal
- Napa
- Coastal Valley

Prehospital TXA: Indications

Hypovolemic shock secondary to trauma in patients who meet ALL of the following:

- < 3 hours post injury</p>
- Systolic BP < 90 mmHg, observed or reported
- > 14 years old or if ≤ 14 years old, weighing > 45 kg (100 lbs)
- Includes multisystem trauma patients with associated spinal or head injury.

Injuries from Standing Electric Scooters

- Scooter injuries presenting to either of 2 EDs affiliated with the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
- 249 patients
 - 58% male; mean age 33.7
 - 8.4% pedestrians hit by scooter or tripped over scooter
 - 4.4% wore helmet (only 12% of records documented helmet)

Tarak K. JAMA Network Open. 2019; Jan 25, 2(1)

Injuries from Standing Electric Scooters

Injury characteristics ^d			
Any fracture	71 (31.1)	8 (38.1)	79 (31.7)
Upper extremity			
Distal	30 (13.2)	1 (4.8)	31 (12.5)
Proximal	15 (6.6)	2 (9.5)	17 (6.8)
Lower extremity			
Distal	9 (4.0)	2 (9.5)	11 (4.4)
Proximal	3 (1.3)	0	3 (1.2)
Facial	12 (5.3)	2 (9.5)	14 (5.6)
Vertebral column	2 (0.9)	0	2 (0.8)
Thoracic	3 (1.3)	1 (4.8)	4 (1.6)
Head injury	92 (40.4)	8 (38.0)	100 (40.2)
Minor head injury ^e	87 (38.2)	8 (38.0)	95 (38.2)
Intracranial hemorrhage	5 (2.2)	0	5 (2.0)
Contusions, sprains, and lacerations with no fracture or head injury	63 (27.5)	6 (28.6)	69 (27.7)
Dislocations			
Major ^f	9 (3.9)	0	9 (3.6)
Minor ^g	2 (0.9)	0	2 (0.8)
Procedural sedation for fracture reduction or joint dislocation	8 (3.5)	0	8 (3.2)
Lacerations	65 (28.5)	6 (28.6)	71 (28.1)
Major intra-abdominal or intrathoracic injuries ^h	3 (1.3)	0	3 (1.2)

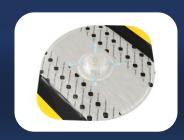
13 patients were admitted to floor or observation, 2 patients to ICU (one traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage, the other a subdural hematoma)

AB 1708 (Rodriquez) Public Trauma Kits

- WEE:
- Specified buildings must have trauma PAK
 - 2 tourniquets
 - 2 pressure dressings
 - 4 chest seals
 - Other approved materials
 - Instructional documents
- Liability protection







Equipping Public Spaces to Facilitate Rapid Point-of-Injury Hemorrhage Control After Mass Casualty

Mass Casualty Type	Mean Total Victims Killed or Injured	Mean Killed (%)	Median Total Victims Killed or Injured
Shooting	5–11	1-6 (21-51)	4–6
Intentional vehicle attack	51	8 (16)	13
Stabbing	< 2	< 2 (< 10)	< 2
Blasts	5–34	1-10 (20-30)	a

^aCannot determine from data used.

Data for all mass casualty attacks noted in reports and databases Unable to say what percent could be saved by bleeding control.

Planners at public venues should consider equipping their sites with supplies to treat a minimum of 20 bleeding victims during a mass casualty attack.

Goolsby et al. Am J Public Health. 2019;109:236–241

Failure Rate of Prehospital Needle Decompression (ND)

Lesperance RN, et al. Am Surg 2018

- 335 patients had prehospital ND 2nd ICS
 - CT scans to evaluate catheter placement and chest wall thickness
- 39% and 76% of attempts at ND failed to reach the pleural space (2 different techniques of evaluation)
- at least 39% of patients did not have a tension pneumothorax
- Injured side of chest significantly thicker than normal side

State Trauma System Leaders

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State Trauma Coordinator

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Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act Basics

2019 State of California Trauma Summit April 23, 2019

Objectives

- The Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA):
 - What and why?
 - Where has it been?
 - Where is it going?
- Innovation Opportunities
- Quick review of the basics
- Case Scenarios and Knowledge Checks
- Q and A

Disclaimers

• This presentation assumes basic knowledge of EMTALA

• I do not have all the answers ...

Brief History of EMTALA

- What and why was EMTALA enacted?
 - Signed into law in 1986 as an anti-dumping measure to protect individuals in need of emergency medical treatment including women in labor
 - Required of all Medicare participating hospitals with EDs and those without EDs but with specialized services
 - Regardless of ability to pay or type of insurance

Brief History of EMTALA (Cont'd)

- Basic premise of law remains unchanged
- EMTALA violations may result in:
 - From CMS: enforcement and potential termination from Medicare
 - From Office of Inspector General (OIG): civil monetary penalties

EMTALA Today and Going Forward

- Current Trends
 - Important protection for patients
 - Longstanding policy but non-compliance persists, as noted in both CMS and OIG enforcement actions
 - Not uncommon to receive requests to modify EMTALA from:
 - Industry
 - Government representatives
 - Other Federal and State agencies

Innovation Opportunities

- Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation's (Innovation Center) Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Model
 - Voluntary, five-year payment model
 - Start date is January 2020
 - Focused on emergency response through the 911 system
 - Key participants will be the Medicare-enrolled ambulance service suppliers and hospital-owned ambulance providers
 - For more information: Please visit
 https://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/et3/

EMTALA Basic Requirements

- Medical screening examination
- Further examination and stabilizing treatment for an emergency medical condition
- On-call coverage
- Transfer/discharge of patients
- Acceptance of patients with un-stabilized emergency conditions requiring a higher level of care
- No delay of required services, including transfers, for insurance or payment reasons

When does EMTALA begin?

• Four Paths to EMTALA —

- Individual presents to "dedicated emergency department"
 (ED/OB) seeking/in need of examination or treatment for a medical condition
- Individual presents elsewhere on hospital property seeking/in need of examination or treatment for potential emergency condition
- Individual in a hospital-owned/operated ambulance that is not operating under emergency medical services (EMS) direction
- Individual in a non-hospital owned/operated ambulance on hospital property

What is an Appropriate MSE?

- CMS "an MSE is the process to reach, within reasonable clinical confidence, the point at which it can be determined whether the individual has an EMC or not."
 - Triage is not an MSE
 - Designation of staff to perform MSEs
 - Consistency/non-discriminatory the MSE must be the same MSE performed on any other individual presenting with the same signs and symptoms
 - Rules for OB are the same as ED
 - Includes any request in the ED for pharmacy services
 - Documentation

What is an EMC?

- Medical condition (including severe pain, psychiatric disturbances or chemical dependency abuse) manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity so that the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in
 - Placing the health of the patient (or an unborn child) in serious jeopardy; or
 - Serious impairment of bodily functions; or
 - Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part
- A pregnant woman having contractions if there is inadequate time for a safe transfer to another facility or the transfer will pose a threat to the health of the mother or the unborn child

What is Stabilizing Treatment?

- Applies to all individuals who present for exam with an EMC
 - Regardless of ability to pay or insurance authorization
- Similar to others with like presentations
 - But tailored to individual patient needs
- Within capabilities and capacity of the hospital
 - Capabilities:
 - Staff qualified personnel acting within the training and scope of practice of their professional licenses. Includes the use of on-call physicians and other professionals
 - Facility specialized services, space, equipment and supplies
 - Capacity:
 - Available beds, staff and equipment-services
 - Space made available in excess of usual capacity to accommodate patients

What is Stabilizing Treatment? (Cont'd)

- Qualified medical personnel (QMP) determine the treatment needed to stabilize EMC
- Include use of on-call physicians
 - And whether they have to present in person
- QMP also determines if transfer is needed in order to stabilize
- Care continues prior to transfer
 - Within capabilities and capacity of the sending hospital

Stable vs. Stabilized

- If the EMC has been stabilized, the patient is ready for discharge home
- "Clinically stable" does not necessarily mean the EMC is stabilized, per EMTALA
 - Patient may be "clinically stable" but the EMC continues to exist
- If the EMC has not been stabilized, the patient is not ready for discharge home
 - Preventing further deterioration of the EMC prior to transfer is required but does not mean the EMC is stabilized
 - If the patient needs ongoing treatment to stabilize the EMC, the EMC cannot be determined as stabilized

Inpatients

- The EMTALA obligations are terminated when an individual is admitted for inpatient care
- An "inpatient" is "a person who is has been admitted to a hospital for bed occupancy for purposes of receiving inpatient hospital services"
- Inpatient status includes admitted patients who are "boarded" in the ED waiting for a bed
- EMTALA obligations are also terminated when a mother has delivered her baby and the placenta

What is an Appropriate Transfer?

- A transferring hospital must meet the following standards for making an "appropriate" transfer under EMTALA:
 - A receiving hospital/physician has accepted the transfer
 - Medical records are sent to the receiving facility
 - The patient has an EMC that has not been stabilized and the resources needed to do so are not available at the treating hospital
 - A physician has certified that the clinical benefits of the transfer outweigh the risks or the patient has made informed request for the transfer
 - An appropriate level of transport (including personnel and equipment) is selected

When must a hospital accept a transfer?

- A hospital is required to **accept** an "appropriate" transfer from a transferring hospital if all of the following exist:
 - The patient presented to the sending hospital seeking or in need of emergency care and treatment
 - The patient has an EMC that is not stabilized
 - The sending physician has determined that the patient requires further examination and treatment in order to stabilize the EMC
 - At the time of transfer, the sending hospital does not have the capability/capacity to stabilize the EMC
 - The receiving hospital has the capability and capacity to stabilize the patient's EMC

Do not forget ...

- EMTALA applies only to emergency patients who have an EMC
 - -Inpatient transfers are not covered by EMTALA!
 - -An emergency patient with a stabilized EMC, as determined by the sending physician, is not covered by EMTALA

Sticky Issue — Registration

- EMTALA hospitals may follow reasonable registration processes, including asking for insurance, so long as the inquiry does not delay screening or treatment
- California law "Emergency services and care shall be rendered without first questioning the patient or any other person as to his or her ability to pay therefor."
- Which law prevails? EMTALA does not preempt state laws that do not directly conflict with EMTALA

Sticky Issue — Psychiatric Emergency Services

- Dedicated Regional Psychiatric Emergency Services
 - Alameda Model
- Goal is to quickly stabilize psych EMCs and decompress hospital EDs
 - Police and EMS transport individuals directly to centers, pre-hospitals
 - Patients can be transferred from the EDs
 - Limited length of stay
 - May or may not require insurance
 - Relatively new service option
 - Not a Medicare provider or supplier
 - May participate in Medicaid

Obligation to Report an EMTALA Violation

- A basic commitment to the provider agreement
- Reasonable belief that a hospital has received a patient from another hospital in violation of EMTALA
- May call CMS or CDPH
- Report should be made with 72-hours

- Medical Screening Examinations
- Appropriate Transfer Requirements
- Stabilizing Treatment

- A 28 year old female presented to hospital A at 01:45 with leaking fluid she was gravida 4 with 3 prior live births at approximately 33 weeks
- She admitted being a regular methamphetamine user, with last usage 15 minutes prior
- Vital signs at 01:50 were: Temperature 98.1, blood pressure and pulse were not recorded
- Her vaginal fluid tested positive amniotic fluid, consistent with premature rupture of membranes
- Fetal heart tones at 125 and she had no contractions. Fetal monitor showed no distress
- OB physician was called at 02:50. At 02:54 the patient was discharged by orders received from the doctor and told to go directly to hospital M. The medical records states "No" under "D/C against Medical Advice." There is also documentation that the patient requested to leave and go to hospital M.

- Was the Medical Screening Exam (MSE) Appropriate?
- Did the patient have an Emergency medical condition (EMC)?
- Appropriateness of Transfer?
- Is there any specific concerns about the quality of care rendered to the individual?

- Peet Hospital is a small hospital that has general surgery, orthopedics, OB and general medicine medical staff available
 - Patient A is a 550 pound, morbidly obese 38 year-old female who has a preliminary diagnosis of "acute appendicitis" and requires surgery

- Peet wishes to transfer Patient A to another facility for the following reasons:
 - It cannot complete all the studies (CT scan) that the general surgeon believes are needed due to the size of Patient A
 - The Peet staff feel that they do not have the capability to manage the patient while in the hospital due to her size (beds, operating room)

• Plum Hospital is 30 miles away, and has a full bariatric program with all the necessary equipment and facilities to address this population of patients

Capacity and Capability

- CMS has defined both terms at 42 CFR 489.24(d)
 - Capacity means the ability of the hospital to accommodate the treatment of the transferred individual; it encompasses number and availability of qualified staff, beds and equipment and the hospital's past practices of accommodating patients in excess of its occupancy limits
 - Capability means that there is physical space, equipment, supplies and specialized services that the hospital provides, and level of care the personnel can provide, including on-call rosters

- Does the transfer implicate EMTALA?
- What is Peet's responsibility to meet the needs of this patient?
- Does Plum have to accept this patient?

At what point is it permissible for the hospital to seek authorization from an individual's insurance company for medical screening or stabilization services?

- A. As soon as the individual signs in to the ED registration desk
- B. After triage but before the MSE
- C. Immediately after the MSE has been performed
- D. After the MSE has been performed...and the hospital has initiated any further medical examination and treatment that may be required to stabilize the emergency medical condition

A patient presents to the ED complaining of epigastric pain radiating to her left shoulder and jaw along with shortness of breath and dizziness. She is triaged as an ESI level 2, but then waits for 4 hours before leaving and going to another ED for care. What EMTALA requirement is most likely out of compliance?

- A. Medical Screening Examination
- B. Delay in Examination or Treatment
- C. Stabilizing Treatment
- D. Appropriate Transfer
- E. A and C

A patient in the ED is diagnosed with a probable bowel perforation post colonoscopy. The ED doctor contacts the surgeon on call. The surgeon states she'll come to the ED as soon as the ED doctor verifies insurance coverage and obtains authorization for surgery. What EMTALA requirements is most likely of compliance?

- A. Medical Screening Examination
- B. On-Call Physicians
- C. Stabilizing Treatment
- D. Delay in Examination or Treatment
- E. B and D

When does a hospital's EMTALA obligation end?

- A. The patient is admitted for stabilizing treatment
- B. The patient with a stabilized EMC is discharged home with outpatient follow-up
- C. The patient with an EMC is transferred to a hospital with specialized services for stabilizing treatment
- D. None of the above
- E. All of the above

Which transfer exceptions must be met in order for a hospital to transfer an individual with an un-stabilized EMC?

- A. The individual has ambulance insurance to cover the transfer
- B. The individual requests a transfer or the physician (or other QMP) certifies that medical benefits expected from medical treatment at another hospital outweigh increased risks of being transferred
- C. The transfer is an "appropriate transfer"
- D. B and C

A post-op tonsillectomy patient is bleeding, and calls an ambulance from home. The ED doctor determines the patient has an EMC, needs to go back to surgery urgently, and calls the patient's surgeon. The surgeon instructs the ED physician to transfer her patient to the hospital where she has privileges. Since the surgeon is requesting the transfer, the sending hospital doesn't have to meet the appropriate transfer requirements.

- A. True
- B. False

Questions & Answers





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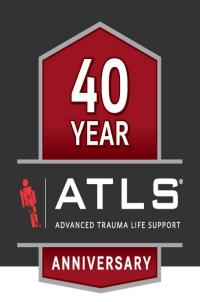
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The Committee on Trauma CA State Trauma Summit, April 23 2019

Daniel R. Margulies, MD FACS
Chair, Verification Review Committee, ACS Committee on Trauma

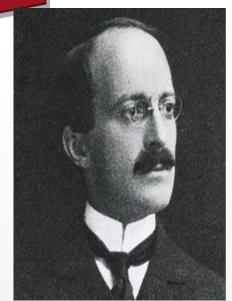






ANNIVERSARY

- ACS Committee on Fractures (1922)
- Renamed by BOR as The Committee on Trauma 1950
- 100th Anniversary 2022!



Charles L. Scudder, MD



The Problem





- More deaths in children than all other causes combined.
- More than 130,000
 Americans die every year
- Health care costs + lost productivity = \$676 billion/year
- Most important problem of our children and uniformed service personnel

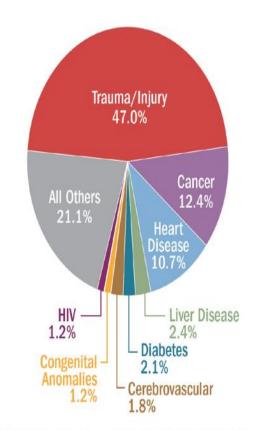
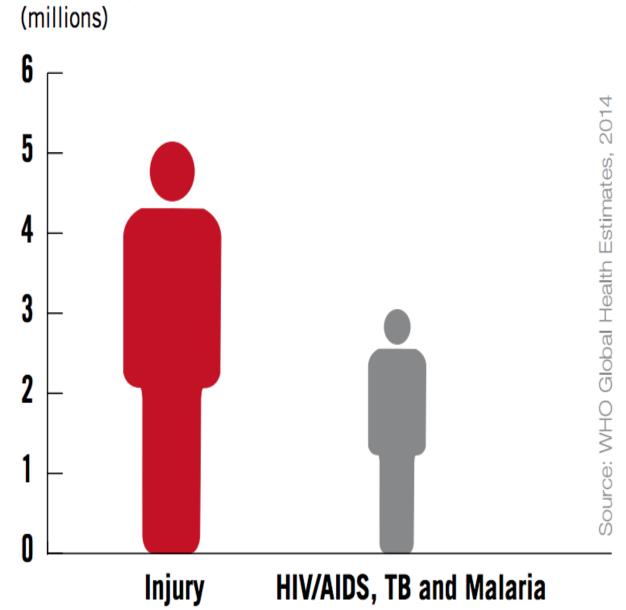


FIGURE 1-1 Leading causes of death, United States: 2014, ages 1-46 years. SOURCE: Data retrieved from NCIPC, 2015b.

















ADVANCED TRAUMA LIFE SUPPORT









for excellence in trauma centers





















>100 Committees on Trauma

- National Committee on Trauma -100 members
- 10 US regions
 - 57 Committees on Trauma
- 2 Canadian regions
 - 8 Provincial Committees
- 1 Military region
 - 5 Committees on Trauma
- 4 International regions
 - Multiple Country committees on Trauma
- Approximately 3,500 members total



MEGAPIXL

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US & Canada Regions



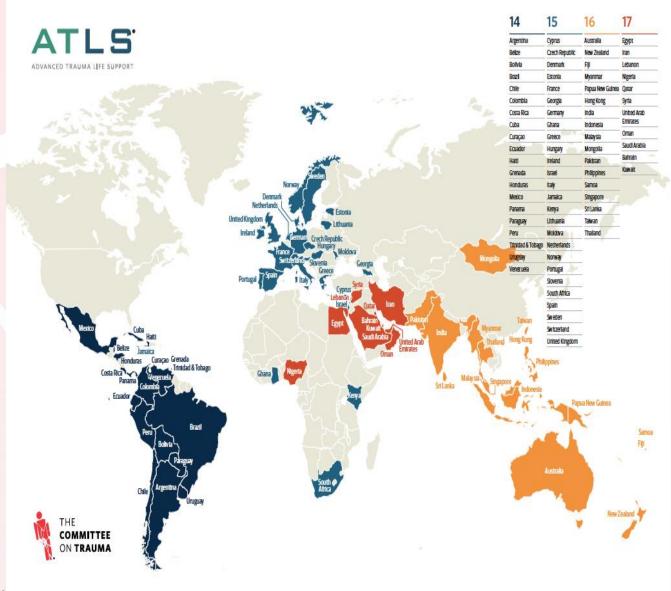




International Regions











COT Chair Bulger

Vice Chair/Regional Committees Reilly Membership (METS) Kerby

Education Alam Trauma Center Quality Chang

VRC - Margulies

Trauma System Quality Eastridge

Systems - Eastridge

EMS - Gestring

Rural - Sidwell

Advocacy/Injury Prevention Coburn/Kuhls

ATLS - Joseph

mATLS – Inaba

TEAM - Efron/Mori

Specialty Courses

DMEP - Ficke

RTTDC - Wilson

BCON - Inaba

Surgical Skills - Parry

ASSET - Kuncir

ATOM - Kaban

BEST - Brenner

Congress Planning – Guillamondegui

TPERC – Dente

PIPS – Jenkins
TQIP – Chang

Research – Stein Disaster -Stop The

Disaster – Ficke Stop The Bleed – Reilly/Gestring

Stewart

Advocacy & Health Policy – Coburn Injury Prevention & Control – Kuhls

Coding &
Reimbursement –
Sutherland

Stewart/Nathens

Stewart Nathens

Specialty Committees

Burn – Harrington Neuro – Ellenbogen OMS – Kushner Ortho – Miller
Peds – Gaines Plastic – Chung Uro – Coburn

International Activities

12C2 - Jimenez Quality - Winchell ATLS - Henry

Regional Committees – Military/Civilian Integration Region Chiefs State/Country Chairs Vice Chairs

Committee on Trauma Staff Team

Medical Directors - Stewart, Nathens Administrative Director - Clemency

ACS - Committee on Trauma 2018

COT Mission & Vision





- Vision: Eliminate preventable deaths and disabilities across the globe by preventing injury and improving the outcomes of trauma patients
- The Mission of the COT is to develop and implement programs that support injury prevention and ensure optimal patient outcomes across the continuum of care. These programs incorporate advocacy, education, trauma center and trauma system resources, best practice creation, outcome assessment, and continuous quality improvement.

Tag line: Eliminate preventable death and disability from injury across the globe

Pillars of a Modern Trauma System







- Prevention
- Acute Care
 - Bystander intervention
 - Communications systems
 - EMS
 - Trauma Centers
- Rehabilitation
- Framework for Emergency Care Systems & Disaster Preparedness

Requires timely, structured cooperation and communication.

Future Trauma Leaders Program COMMITTEE COMMIT



- Immersion experience in COT activities
- Junior faculty
- Four participants/ year
- Mentorship
- Early engagement in COT





Pillar Overviews





- Education
- Trauma Center Quality
- Trauma System Quality
- Injury Prevention/ Advocacy



Education Pillar





— ATLS/TEAM

- 10th edition roll out
- 40th Anniversary 2018
- Revising TEAM for Medical Students
- Developing modular educational approach for low resource environments
- RTTDC: New edition
- DMEP: New edition
- Stop the Bleed
- Trauma Skills courses under revision





ATLS Across the Globe





1970-1980 1980-1990 1990-2000 2000-2010 2010-2020









Bleeding Control and the American College of Surgeons Commitee on Trauma

What Everyone Should Know to Control Bleeding

on Trauma

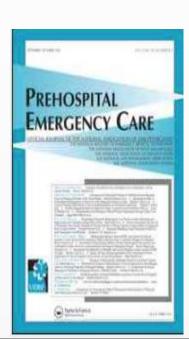
An Evidence-based Prehospital Guideline for External Hemorrhage Control: American College of Surgeons Committee





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- Published 2014
- Pre-hospital guidelines for external hemorrhage control



The Hartford Consensus





The Hentford Component



#StopTheBleed







Current Status: Stop the Bleed





- 37,000 registered instructors
- All 50 states and 77 Countries
- >500,000 students taught
- Website views: 1,309,000, Twitter followers: 4,504.
- Multiple State & Federal lobbying efforts
 - Georgia > \$3 million to equip all public school
- Research Agenda meeting in February
- Version 2 Course in development

http://www.bleedingcontrol.org

Integrated Trauma Quality



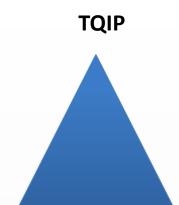


Prog

- Verification
 - Optimal Care Document revision 2018/19
 Feedback from end users
 Developing enhanced consultation program
- Performance Improvement-Patient Safety
 Model PI Program in final stages
 Society of Trauma Nurses Partnership
 Collaborative Best Practices (EAST, STN, others)

TQIP

Enhancing data quality
Data linkage project



PIPS



COT VRC Model





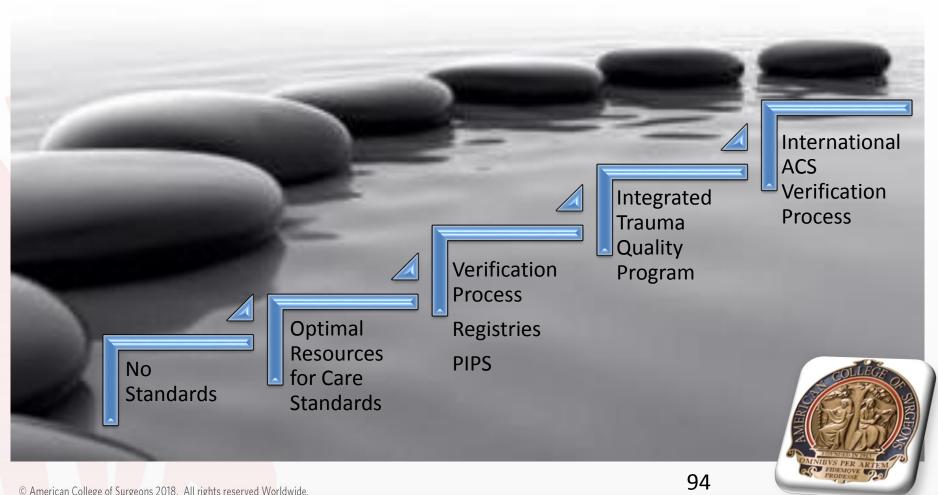
- Set relevant high standards
- Build and insure the right infrastructure, leadership and processes aimed at improving quality and reducing mortality.
 - People
 - Facilities
 - Resources
- Risk adjusted clinical data for performance improvement
- Implement a Verification Process by practicing clinical experts

546 ACS Verified Trauma Centers, >800 TQIP centers

Evolution of Verification



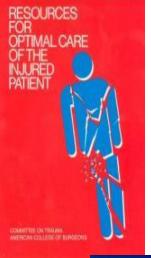




Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient: 1976-2014

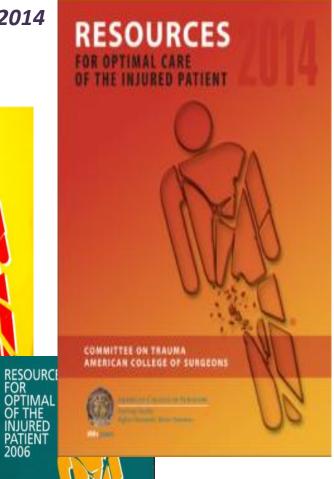


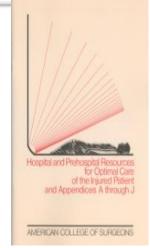
















COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS





- NY developed a Trauma system in 1990 (with a HRSA Grant)
- Bought a trauma specific registry (Truama One—Lancet Technologies) to be used by all trauma centers
- Criteria were developed using the then current edition of the Resources Document
 - --watered down to fit the existing hospital that provided trauma care.
- The DOH accepted application for "Regional" (level I equivalents) vs. "Area" (level II equivalents) that were also watered down.





- The reason given then was that some of the COT criteria were ...too stringent to fit New York.
- (basically resulting in every hospital that applied being accepted)
- The Regional and Area centers were to gather data from the community hospitals in their region.
- The state funded the TPM and registrars.
- The DOH did reviews using reviewers from a different section of the state.
- The consistency of the verification visits varied widely and deficiencies were not followed up.





- At this time, the NYC center data was not collected or analyzed by the state.
- The first state report was 1990.
- The NYC data was not collected until the late 1990's. Not all hospitals were verified.
- The DOH did not have the staff or enough money to verify all of the centers. Eventually, the HRSA grant expired.
- Funding for the trauma registries, TPM and registrars ceased.
- The DOH tried to keep the system afloat with money from the Dormitory Fund until the Comptroller got wind of this.
- Also, a new Governor was elected. The new Commissioner of Health had other priorities. All funding ceased.





- The hospitals had a rapid decrease in trauma staffing.
- The state sponsored registry increased prices.
- Many centers went away from this vendor to other vendors, primarily NTRACS.
- Downloading data to the state was sketchy.
- The state had always had the SPH at the State University at Albany be in charge of data.
- They had used SPARCS (a discharge data set) to compare accuracy of registry data.
- SPARCS data from all hospitals was used to include trauma centers versus non-trauma center outcomes.





- Several hospitals in the Hudson Valley area applied to be Area Trauma Centers.
- None of the hospitals had the necessary infrastructure.
- A review panel from the State Trauma Advisory Committee recommended that only one application out of 4 be given provisional designation.
- The DOH, with pressure from the Governor's Office, designated all 4 centers.
- Subsequently, a hospital in the Bronx applied, was reviewed and given status as a Regional Trauma Center.
- This hospital was directly between 2 long standing trauma centers. They subsequently lost trauma volume.
- After this, the DOH was asked to review all of the trauma centers in NYC. This found that many hospitals did not meet state criteria.
- They were given time to correct the deficiencies, however, no follow up visits occurred.





- A paper survey of all pediatric trauma centers was then conducted. This showed that the centers did not meet the state standards.
- Revision of the state standards began in 2001 after the destruction of the World Trade Center.
- Progress was made but it was not fast enough and was marginally supported by the DOH due to funding constraints.
- This was disbanded in 2004. Progress was made but the meetings were too infrequent. Nothing came of the process. At this time, the lack of current standards and a process for continued verification was felt to be blocking appropriate trauma center development.





- Serious discussion at the STAC (State Trauma Advisory) Committee) centered on the DOH supporting the revisions, regular verification visits and a process which noncompliance could be removed.
- The DOH was not enthusiastic. A proposal to use the VRC verification process was introduced.
- There was a lot of controversy. Some TMDs were concerned that the cost was too high and not financially supported by the state. Some TMDs were concerned because they knew their center did not meet COT standards and they were concerned for their job.
- NYC public hospitals did not believe that HHC would fund their center for verification.
- Finally, the DOH decided to proceed with the VRC verification **Process.**In College of Surgeons 2018. All rights reserved Worldwide. 102





- This has led us to where we are today. All of the trauma centers are required to be verified by the VRC before the DOH will designate the hospital as a trauma center.
- The trauma centers are still required to download data to the state. The state has the ability to receive downloads from Trauma 1, TRACS and Image Trend.
- The state uses Image Trend for their registry.
- The DOH through its EMS committees now requires trauma patients to preferentially go to trauma centers.
- The Pediatric Trauma Centers have asked the state to support the pediatric trauma/emergency care criteria on patient destination.
- All of the trauma centers are verified, participate in TQIP and many of the Level I and II's participate in the state collaborative.





- The DOH has not released a state report from 2015 and later. They are still analyzing state data submissions.
- They are now considering a State Consultative System visit. They believe they know where centers are needed and where they are not. An outside consultation should provide the DOH with data from outside reviewers to help identify these areas of the state.
- My comments: everyone knows it is costly to be a trauma center so the state needs to have reasons to entice hospitals to be a trauma center and needs a method to avoid designating too many trauma centers in given areas.
- Lessons we might learn from...

TQIP Best practices





Comprehensive imaging guideline JUST RELEASED!! Non-accidental Trauma

Pediatrics Geriatrics Domestic violence





Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma

Advancing Science, Fostering Relations







Focus on Long term functional outcome... COMMITTEE COMMI







- Multidisciplinary Long term outcomes task force
- Consensus Conference Jan 2019
- Research Agenda: **NTRAP**
- New Liaisons and joint projects with ACRM, **NIDLLR**



Research Committee





- Develop strategies to optimize use of ACS COT databases for research
- Collaborate with CNTR
- Support development of the National Trauma Research Action plan
- Research agenda for firearm injury prevention
- Mentorship for clinical research scholars
- Identify grant opportunities
- Support VRC in revisions to research requirements for Level I centers







COALITION for NATIONAL TRAUMA RESEARCH





Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma

Advancing Science, Fostering Relationships, and Building Careers













AIM 1 – Perform a gap analysis of military and civilian trauma research to identify priorities across the continuum of care.

AIM 2 – Define optimal metrics to assess long-term functional outcomes in injured patients following hospital discharge.

AIM 3 – Identify trauma research regulatory barriers, develop best practices for investigators, and collaborate with federal entities to define optimal endpoints for clinical trauma research.

Integrated Trauma System Committees



- Trauma system evaluation, EMS committee, Disaster committee, Rural trauma committee
- Plan to update trauma system consultation program (White book)
- New Military trauma system book in progress
- Revision of Field Triage Guidelines
- Disaster preparedness
 - Tools for trauma center/system preparedness
 - Several collaborative project with ASPR

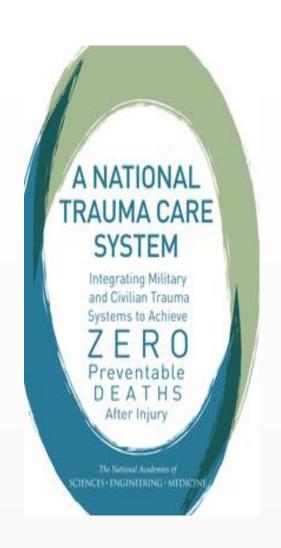


NASEM Report





- 11 recommendations
- 4 areas
 - Development of a National Trauma System
 - Military-Civilian integration
 - Data flow across the continuum of care
 - Trauma Research



Military-Civilian Integration





- Models to integrate military teams into civilian trauma systems for ongoing training & education
- Adopting lessons learned from combat to civilian environment











AN EPIDEMIC IN THE US

- Las Vegas, NV: Concert
- Orlando, FL: Pulse nightclub
- San Bernadino, CA: Christmas party
- Portland, OR: Shopping mall
- Aurora, CO; Movie Theater
- Virginia Tech
- Sandyhook Elementary
- Boston Marathon Bombing

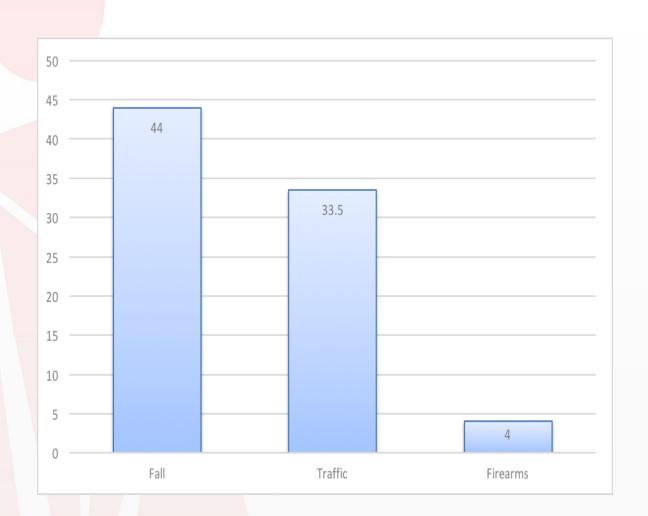
- Sutherland Springs, TX: Church
- Parkland, FL: High school
- Benton, KY: High school
- Columbine, CO: High school
- Seattle, WA: College
- Marysville, WA: High school
- Roseburg, OR: College

What patients do our trauma centers see?





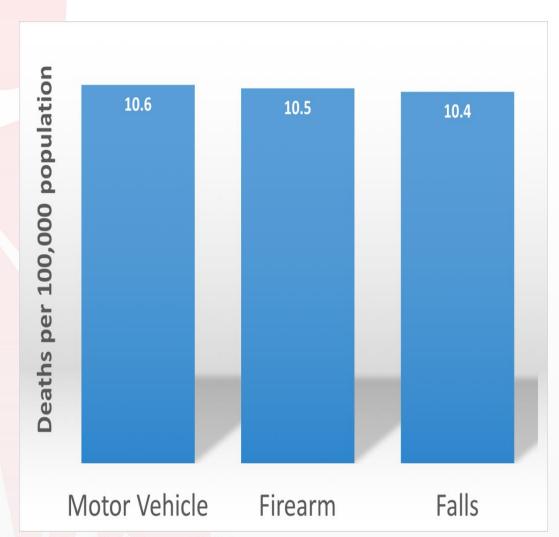
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What is the overall burden of death? THE COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA







We have help...







Pre-Hospital to Emergency Department Data Exchange: A SAFR Transition of Care

Dan Chavez April 23, 2019





- Population: 3.5 Million
- Larger Region than Connecticut
- 5th largest U.S. County
- 18 municipalities
- 18 tribal nations
- 42 school districts
- Region is very diverse
 - Over 100 languages
 - Large military presence
 - Largest refugee resettlement site in CA
 - Busiest international border crossing in the world



EMS in San Diego County 2018

- Over 240,000 emergency 911 calls
- Over 350,00 responses
- 60 different EMS agencies
 - 40 ambulance companies
- 10,000+ EMTs, Paramedics and Specialized Nurses
- 21 hospitals
 - 15 of 19 non-federal hospitals with EDs
 - 3 of these utilize SAFR
 - 6 Level 1Trauma Centers
 - 16 stroke centers and 13 cardiac centers
 - 7 base hospitals



Real-time Connection Ambulance to ED



- SEARCH paramedics search HIE pre-hospital
- ALERT real-time data to ED
- FILE electronic submission of medic's report to EHR
- RECONCILE hospital to ePCR, e.g. eOutcomes



SAFR



What is the impact of not doing it?

ED providers will not have access to data that can be available from the community to provide better care.



Use Cases

When the paramedic arrives at the patients location and as they performed their assessment, they leverage the HIE to view key medical information, allergies, medications, encounters before they provide treatment. After performing an EKG, the paramedic transmitted the EKG to the target emergency department via SAFR health information technology.

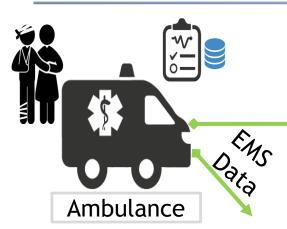
A hospital mobile intensive care nurse viewed the EKG from on the computer screen in the emergency department on the preadmit track board, without having to query they system.

Value

EMS patient information is presented in the emergency department before the EMS arrives at the hospitals. This alerts the providers to critical information that allows them to be prepared and less reactive to the arrival of the patient. This can shorten the transition process to help speed of treatment for the patient on arrival.

SAFR







Patient Query



















Patient Matching



CURES DB



POLST Registry



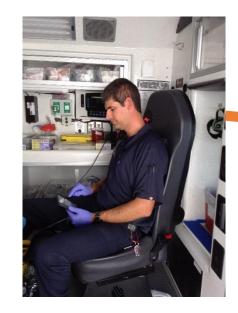
HIE Longitudinal Patient Record

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	Emshubpatient, Two (M)			Y			306:38			886668
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Goal of SAFR



improve & & coordination

HIE

UCSD and Rady!

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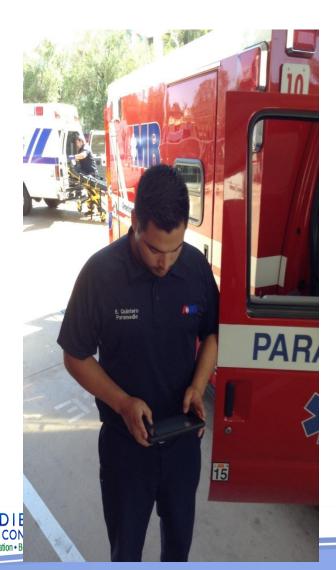




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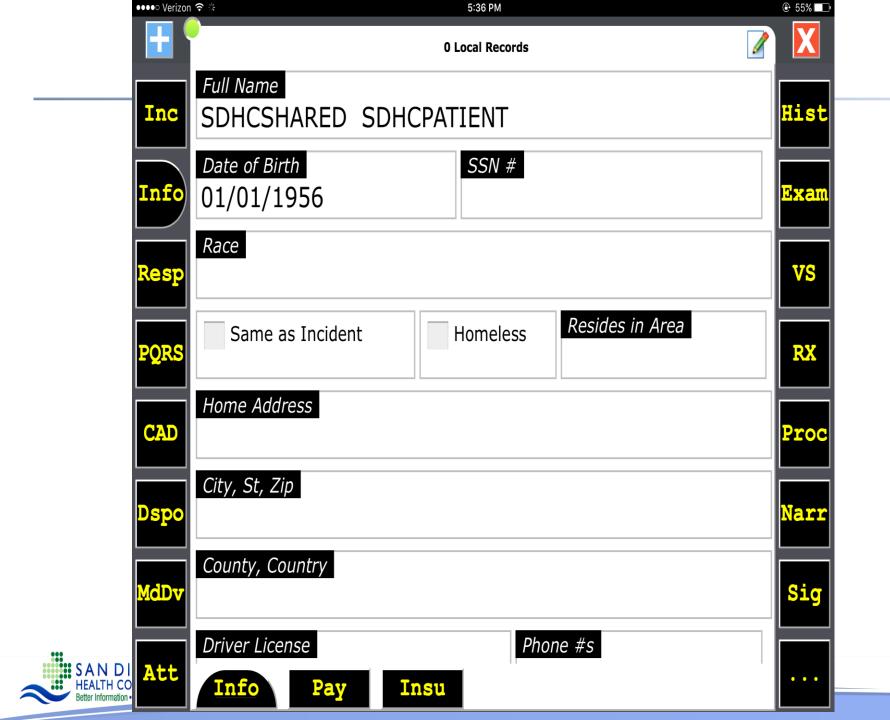


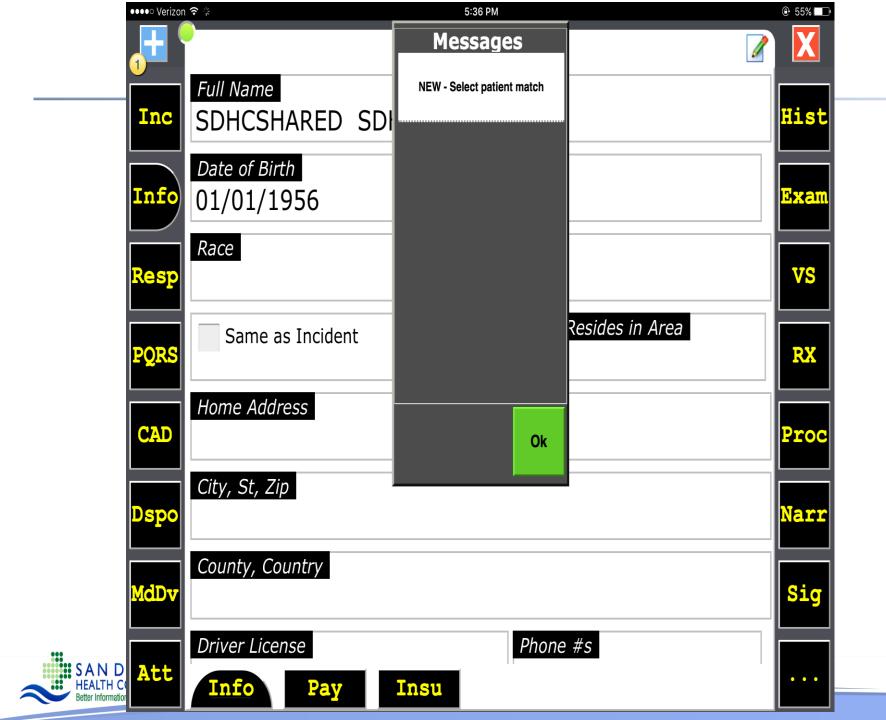
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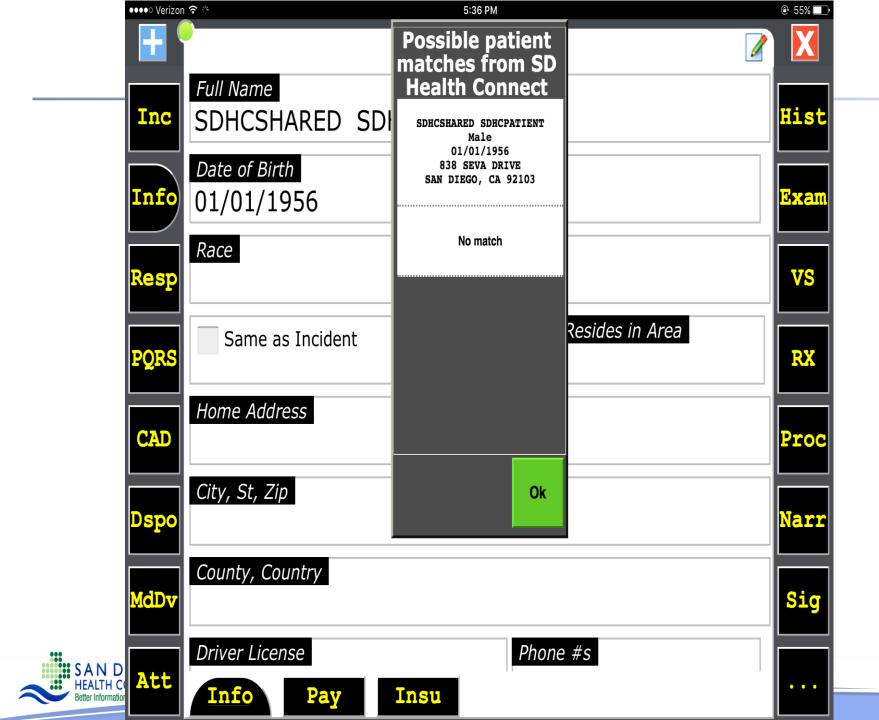


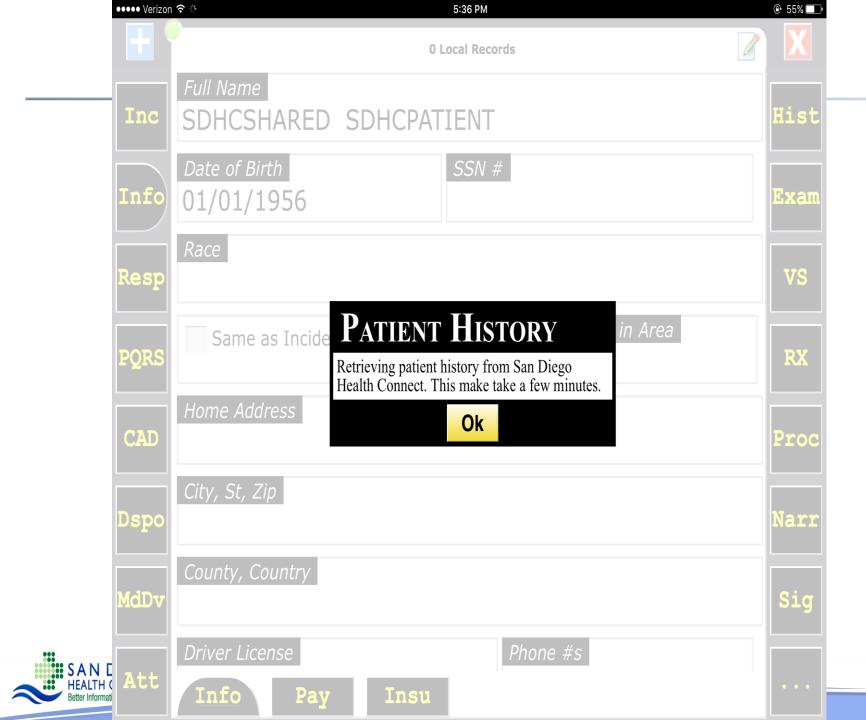
1. Search for the patient in the HIE

- 2. Query the HIE for
 - Problems
 - Meds
 - Allergies
 - Encounters
 - POLST

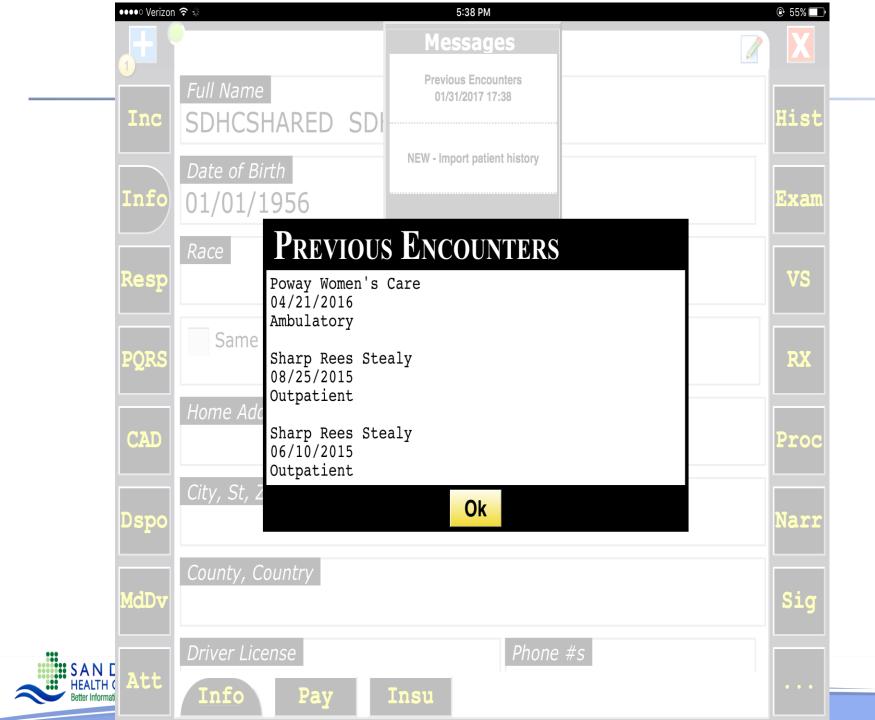




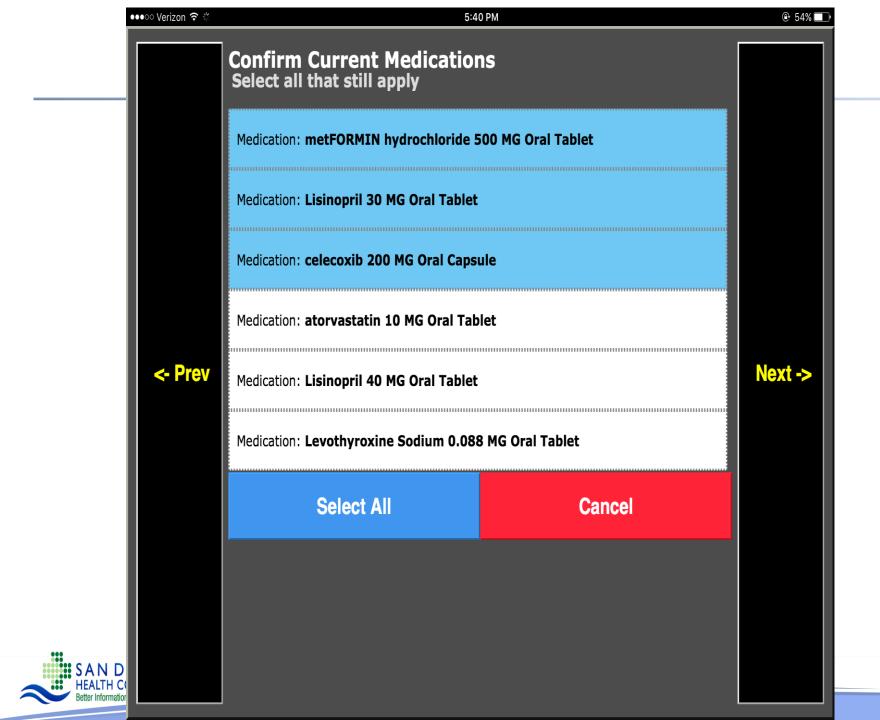






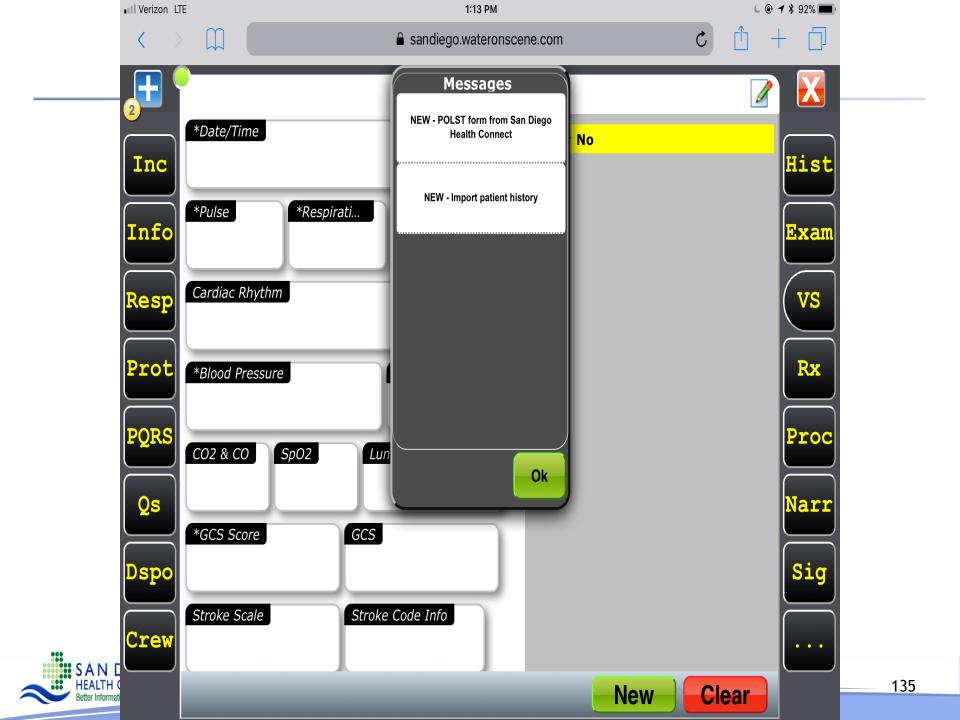






POLST Pilot





HIPAA PERMITS DISCLOSURE OF POLST TO OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AS NECESSARY Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST First follow these orders, then contact Patient Last Name: Date Form Prepared: Physician/NP/PA. A copy of the signed POLST Patient First Name: Patient Date of Birth: form is a legally valid physician order. Any section not completed implies full treatment for that section. POLST complements an Advance Directive and Patient Middle Name: Medical Record #: (optional) EMSA #111 B is not intended to replace that document. (Effective 1/1/2016)* CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR): If patient has no pulse and is not breathing. If patient is NOT in cardiopulmonary arrest, follow orders in Sections B and C. Check ☐ Attempt Resuscitation/CPR (Selecting CPR in Section A requires selecting Full Treatment in Section B) One ☐ Do Not Attempt Resuscitation/DNR (Allow Natural Death) MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS: If patient is found with a pulse and/or is breathing. Full Treatment – primary goal of prolonging life by all medically effective means. Check One In addition to treatment described in Selective Treatment and Comfort-Focused Treatment, use intubation, advanced airway interventions, mechanical ventilation, and cardioversion as indicated ☐ Trial Period of Full Treatment. Selective Treatment – goal of treating medical conditions while avoiding burdensome measures. In addition to treatment described in Comfort-Focused Treatment, use medical treatment, IV antibiotics, and IV fluids as indicated. Do not intubate. May use non-invasive positive airway pressure. Generally avoid intensive care. Request transfer to hospital only if comfort needs cannot be met in current location. Comfort-Focused Treatment – primary goal of maximizing comfort. Relieve pain and suffering with medication by any route as needed: use oxygen, suctioning, and manual treatment of airway obstruction. Do not use treatments listed in Full and Selective Treatment unless consistent with comfort goal. Request transfer to hospital only if comfort needs cannot be met in current location. Additional Orders ARTIFICIALLY ADMINISTERED NUTRITION: Offer food by mouth if feasible and desired. Long-term artificial nutrition, including feeding tubes. Additional Orders: Check □ Trial period of artificial nutrition, including feeding tubes. No artificial means of nutrition, including feeding tubes INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES: Discussed with: ☐ Patient (Patient Has Capacity) □ Legally Recognized Decisionmaker ☐ Advance Directive dated , available and reviewed > Health Care Agent if named in Advance Directive: ☐ Advance Directive not available Phone: ☐ No Advance Directive Signature of Physician / Nurse Practitioner / Physician Assistant (Physician/NP/PA) My signature below indicates to the best of my knowledge that these orders are consistent with the patient's medical condition and preferences. Print Physician/NP/PA Name: Physician/NP/PA Phone #: Physician/PA License #. NP Cert. # Physician/NP/PA Signature: (required) Date: Signature of Patient or Legally Recognized Decisionmaker I am aware that this form is voluntary. By signing this form the legally recognized decisionmaker acknowledges that this request regarding resuscitative measures is consistent with the known desires of, and with the best interest of, the individual who is the subject of the form. Print Name: Relationship: (write self if patient) Date: Signature: (required) FOR REGISTRY

Phone Number

USE ONLY



Mailing Address (street/city/state/zip):

POLST eRegistry Status

- 17,163 unique patients have POLST forms with 30,372 total forms in the eRegistry
- eRegistry Utilization View / Retrieve

	SHARP	UCSD	Rady	IHA	City EMS
Jan – Dec 2018	473	115	97	126	1,868
January 2019	2	1	1	0	216
February	11	11	0	2	156
March	134	147	15	146	171
TOTALS	620	274	113	274	2,411



Benefits of SEARCH

Paramedics

- Search for patients automatically
- Request Problems, Meds, Allergy, Encounters, POLST
- All rigs in the City running WATER's "Street EMS", ie not limited to UCSD and Rady Children's runs
- Reduces data entry HIE data loaded into ePCR
- Receiving hospital influenced by previous encounters

Patients

- Better chance they will be taken to "their" ED
- Feel like the community is looking out for them

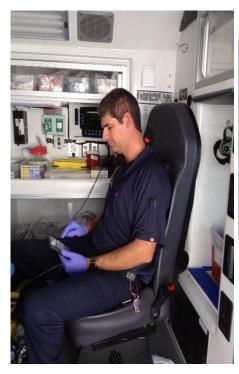


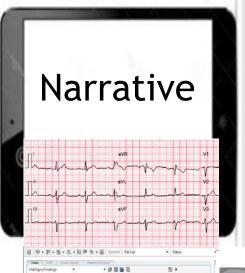
SEARCH Stats - UCSD EDs

- ~1400 patient searches/day
- >60% exact match-don't know what it will be for Rady
- ~ 450 HIE requests/day (probs, meds, allergies, encounters)



A - ALERT, Data Sent Realtime to ED





Ambulance updates:

- 1. Narrative
- 2. EKGs
- 3. Vital signs



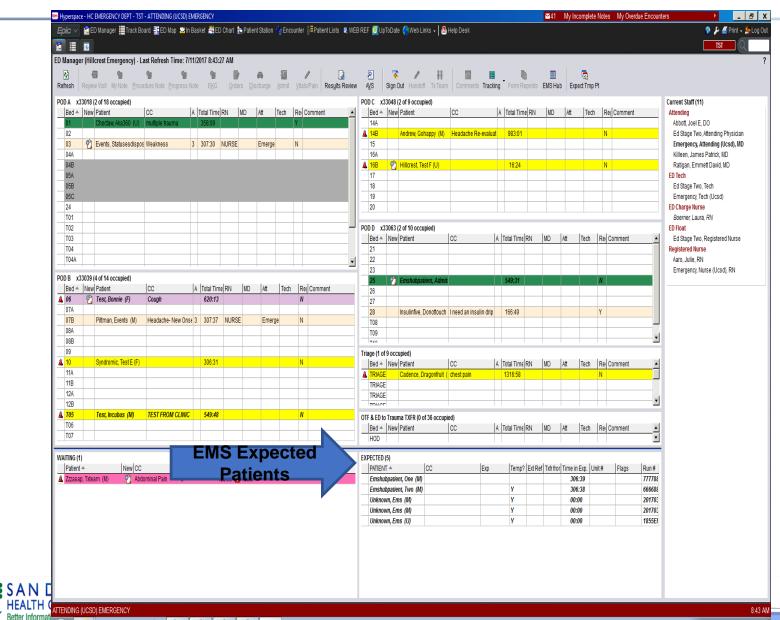
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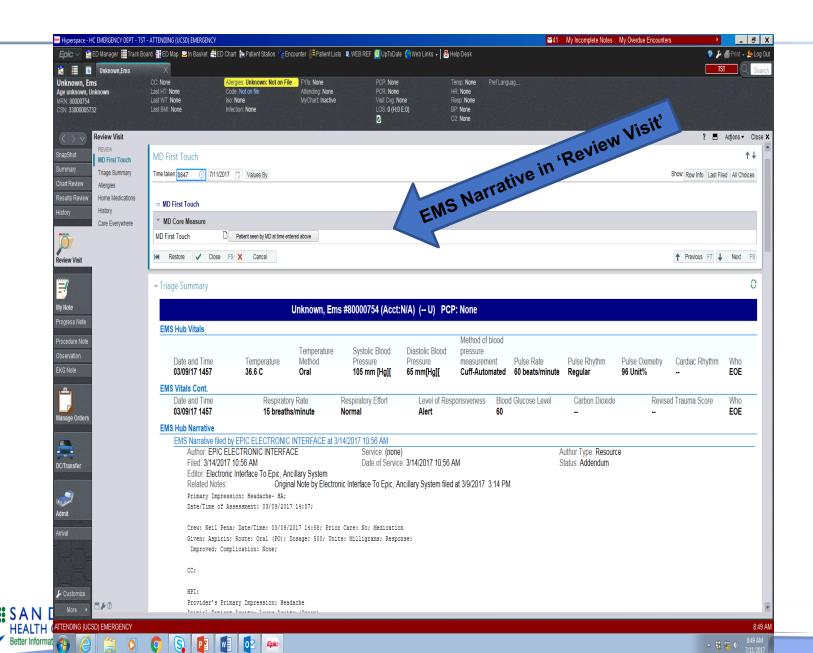


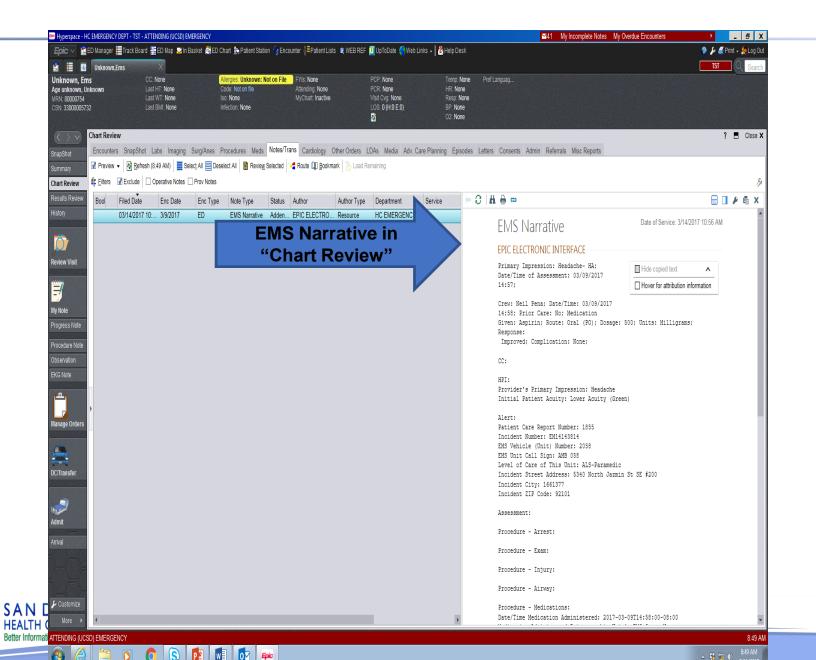
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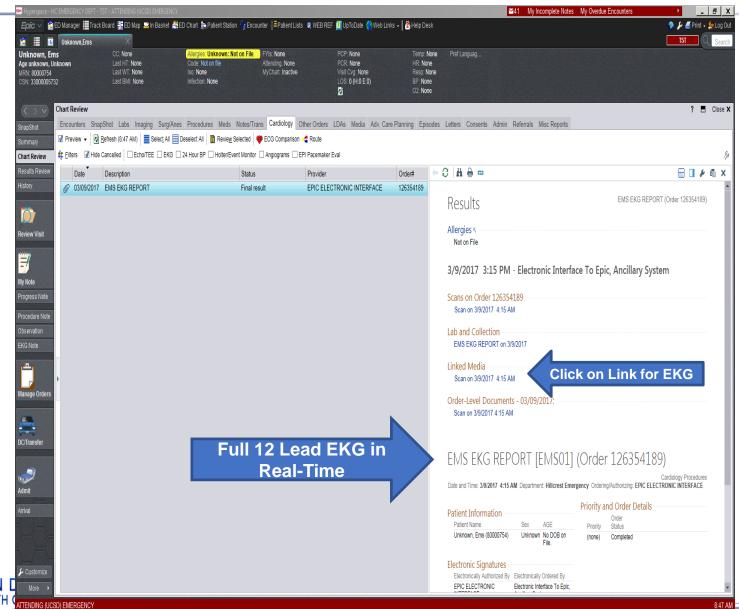
Physicians, nurses, ED Managers...



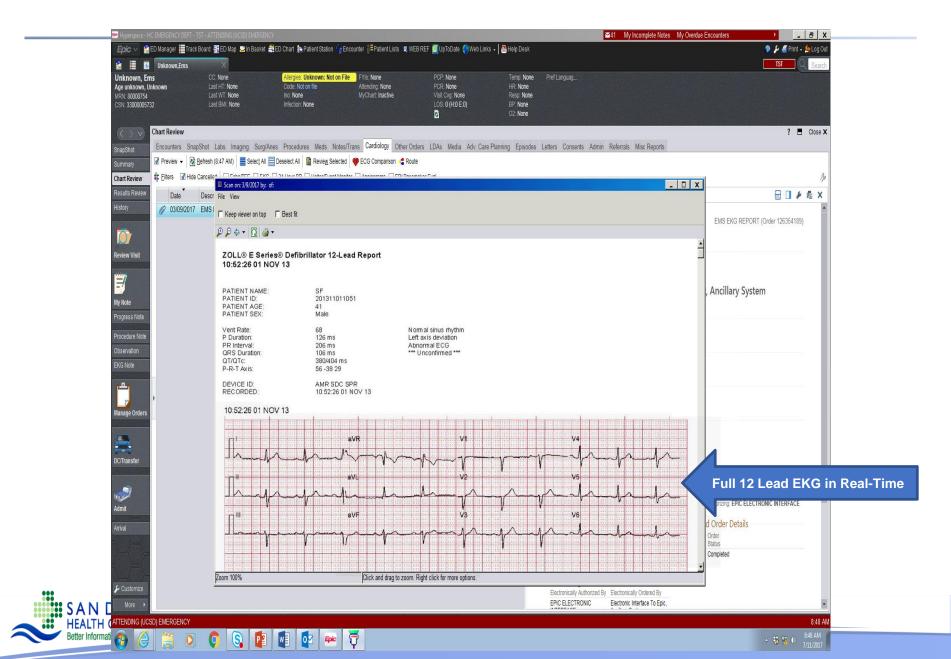








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Making a Difference

16 minutes arrival to cardiac stenting!

door to needle





Benefits of ALERT

ED

- Real-time information displayed in their EMR
- Better care, cardiac stent example
- Possible reduction in data entry
- Possible cost reductions

Paramedics

- Less verbal communication
- No more photos of EKGs sent to ED



Quote

"the data is here, where is the patient?"



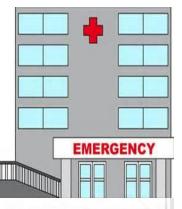
F - FILE



@TOC Record

- Narrative
- Vitals
- More





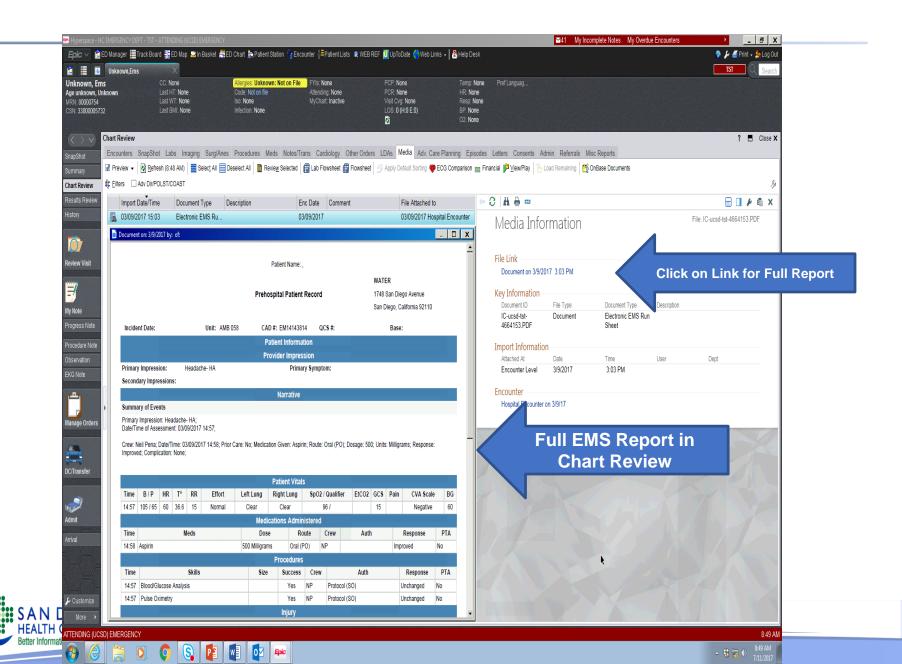
@TOC Record

- Narrative
- Vitals
- More

i.e. PCR

HIE





Benefits of File

Paramedics vs TOC verbal communication

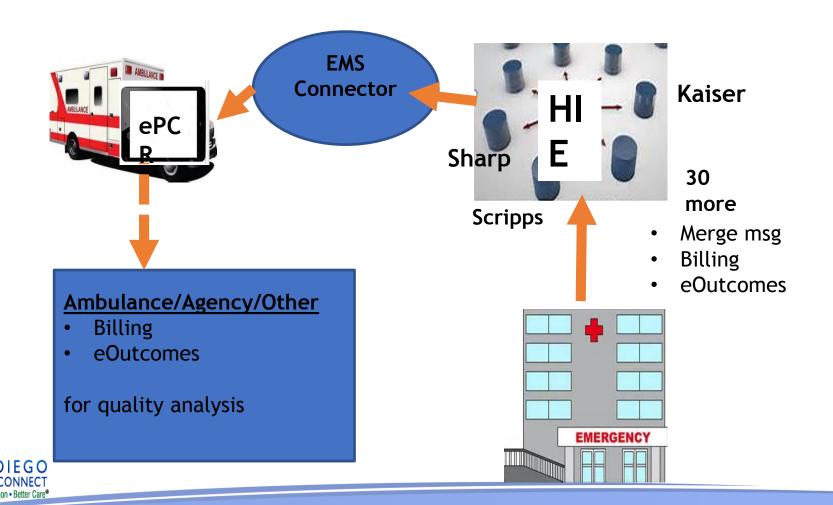
- Reduction in time
- Improvement in accuracy

ED staff

- Ditto
- "PCR" report is in EMR earlier for viewing by all
- Earlier decision making; possible better outcomes



R - RECONCILE



Benefits of RECONCILE and FILE

- Agency clean demographics, billing, eOutcomes
 - Reduces billing times
 - Paramedic satisfaction, e.g. timely ED Disposition
- UCSD ED Study: FILE & RECONCILE cost savings
 - not having to prep & scan prehospital EMS reports and revenue reversals due to late/missing EMS documentation of nearly \$230,000 annually



San Diego - Current Metrics

	SEARCH ALERT			RECONCILE
Runs	%	%	FILE %	%
5648	66	92	95	72



MOVING FORWARD



CAEMSA Grants from CMS

- San Diego (\$1.6 M)
 - All agencies
 - EDs 15 of 19
- San Mateo (\$1.5 M)
 - Will leverage SDHC's EMS Connect
 - SDHC staff assistance
- SacValley Medshare (\$3.5 M)
 - 15 Counties in North California
 - Will leverage SDHC's EMS Connector
 - SDHC staff assistance



Trauma Considerations

- Trauma vs non-trauma workflow
 - Differences
 - Known demographics
 - Better patient clinical history
 - Increased patient safety
 - Reporting
- Spend time understanding how trauma workflow might change to better take advantage of SAFR



Summary

- Door to Needle in 16 minutes
- Potential Hard Savings of \$115k/year/ED
- Grant \$\$ development is reuseable
 - HIE
 - ePCR
 - ED development



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Permissive Hypotension and Damage Control Resuscitation

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Assoc. Clinical Professor, University of California, San Francisco

Case

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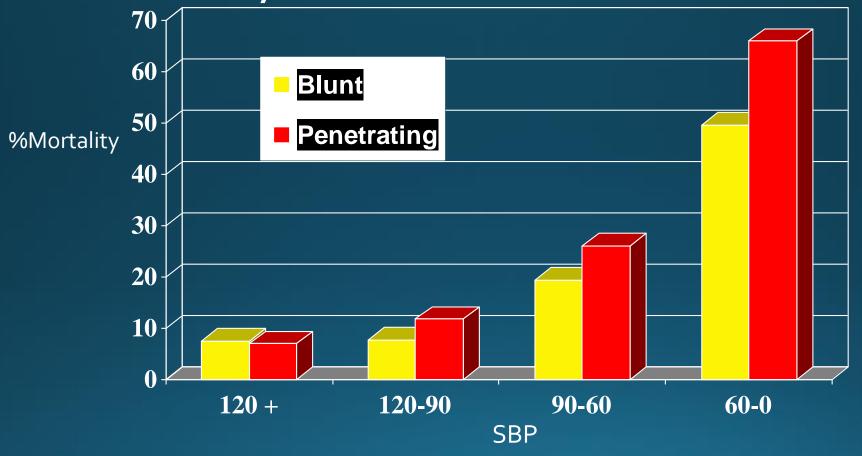
But ultimately... the patient expires



Brief Review

- Shock Inability of the body to adequately perfuse end organs which can lead to irreversible damage and death
- Hypovolemic shock from hemorrhage is common with severe injury and must be assumed until ruled out.
- The numbers: 10% of all trauma patients present with immediate post traumatic hypotension.
- Presence of shock in the pre-hospital setting is a STRONG predictor of mortality

Prehospital Hypotension Predicts Mortality



Classes of Hemorrhagic Shock

Class I 750 mL (15%)

- Slightly anxious
- Normal blood pressure
- Heart rate < 100 / min</p>
- Respirations 14-20 / min
- Urinary output 30 mL / hour
- Warm skin, Normal Cap Refill

Class II 750-1500 mL (15-30%)

- Anxious
- Normal blood pressure
- Heart rate > 100 / min
- Decreased pulse pressure
- Respirations 20-30 / min
- •Urinary output 20-30 mL / hour
- Pale, Cool, Cap Refill Delayed

Class III 1500-2000 mL (30-40%)

- Confused, anxious
- Decreased blood pressure
- Heart rate > 120 / min
- Decreased pulse pressure
- Respirations 30-40 / min
- •Urinary output 5-15 mL / hour
- V. Pale, Sweaty, Cap refill V Delayed

Class IV >2000 mL (>40%)

- Confused, lethargic
- Hypotension
- Heart rate > 140 / min
- Decreased pulse pressure
- Respirations >35 / min
- Urinary output negligible

Not All Trauma Patients are Alike

- Division into 3 categories
 - Blunt
 - Penetrating
 - •TBI / Head injury

Not All Trauma Patients are Alike

- The very young and very old may present differently.
- Children have a very large reserve capacity
- Elderly may be on medications that blunt normal responses.
 - Unable physically to mount a tachycardic resp
 - Normally hypertensive and may present as "normotensive"

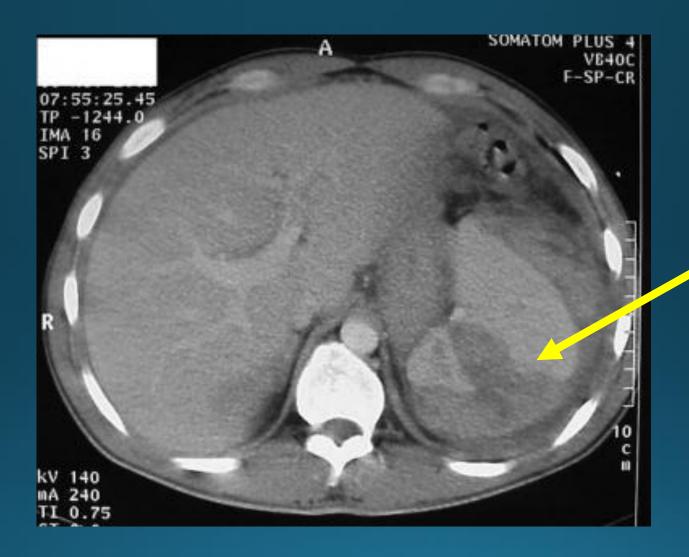
Permissive Hypotension

- "Injection of a fluid that will increase blood pressure has dangers in itself. ... If the pressure is raised before the surgeon is ready to check any bleeding that might take place, blood that is sorely needed may be lost."
 - Walter Cannon, 1918

Approach to Permissive Hypotension

 Allow SBP to fall low enough to avoid exsanguination but keep high enough to maintain perfusion

 Goal is to avoid disruption of an unstable clot by higher pressures and worsening of bleeding ("don't pop the clot")



 Avoids cyclic over-resuscitation that can lead to rebleeding

 Paradoxically exacerbating hypotension despite increased fluid resuscitation and subsequent complications Low BP is not the target, it is a compromise pending emergency surgical intervention

 Hemorrhage control is the goal, once this achieved (e.g. hemostasis and surgery) normalization of hemodynamics is appropriate

Theoretical Advantages

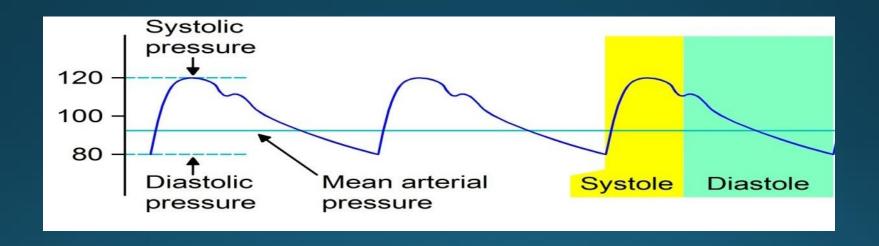
NS dilutes clotting factors

 Hypotensive patients vasoconstrict their blood vessels, aggressive resuscitation limits that

 More BP can theoretically dislodge a clot and lead to more bleeding

Mean Arterial Pressure

•(2x Diastolic + Systolic) / 3= MAP



• How low is the right amount??

Data??

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IMMEDIATE VERSUS DELAYED FLUID RESUSCITATION FOR HYPOTENSIVE PATIENTS WITH PENETRATING TORSO INJURIES

WILLIAM H. BICKELL, M.D., MATTHEW J. WALL, JR., M.D., PAUL E. PEPE, M.D., R. RUSSELL MARTIN, M.D., VICTORIA F. GINGER, M.S.N., MARY K. ALLEN, B.A., AND KENNETH L. MATTOX, M.D.

- Non- blinded semi-randomized prospective study
- n = 598 adults with penetrating torso injury and SBP <90mm Hg
- An immediate resuscitation group (even days) and a delayed resuscitation group (odd days) (resuscitation started in OR, not ED)
- Outcome: mortality benefit favoring delayed resuscitation: 70% vs 62% (p= 0.04) even after correcting for the prehospital and emergency room time intervals

Pros/Cons

- Patients were generally generally young fit patients with penetrating trauma
- High-volume trauma center in Houston with very short door-to-OR times
- Good baseline balance: demographics, mortality before reaching OR, time to OR

- Good separation: 1608 and 283 mL fluid given in ER in the two groups
- High potential for bias: not blinded, not randomized
- Lacks external validity to settings where delayed presentations or blunt trauma predominates, or to traumatic brain injury

The Journal of TRAUMA® Injury, Infection, and Critical Care

Hypotensive Resuscitation during Active Hemorrhage: Impact on In-Hospital Mortality

Richard P. Dutton, MD, MBA, Colin F. Mackenzie, MD, and Thomas M. Scalea, MD

- RCT with n=110
- Titrating the initial fluid therapy to SBP 70 mmHg versus 100 mmHg during active hemorrhage
- No difference in mortality

Pros/Cons

- Small study with heterogeneous patients
- •BP was similar in both groups regardless of the BP target (e.g. 100 ± 17 mmHg in the 70-mmHg group) suggesting physiological adaptation??

REVIEW ARTICLE

The Journal of TRAUMA® Injury, Infection, and Critical Care

Fluid Resuscitation Strategies: A Systematic Review of Animal Trials

James Mapstone, MB, BChir, Ian Roberts, PhD, FFPHM, and Phillip Evans, MB, BS

Meta-analysis of animal trials

 Numerous small unblinded studies using animal models suggest permissive hypotension is beneficial in penetrating trauma (e.g. pig aorta injury models) Review: Animal (for resusc bp targets analysis only)
Comparison: 01 Hypotensive vs. normotensive resuscitation
Outcome: 01 Death

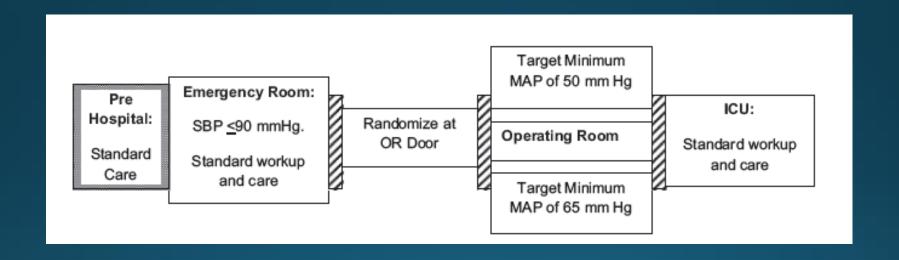
Study	Hypotensive n/N	Normotensive n/N	RR (95%Cl Random)	Weight %	RR (95%CI Random)
Burris 1999	3/19	6/31		6.7	0.82[0.23,2.88]
Capone 1995a	4/10	10/10		17.2	0.40(0.19,0.85)
Capone 1995b	0/10	3/10		1.4	0.14[0.01,2.45]
Kowalenko 1992	1/8	5/8		3.0	0.20[0.03,1.35]
Marshall 1997	3/16	8/16		8.3	0.38[0.12,1.16]
Stern 1993	3/18	7/9		8.9	0.21[0.07,0.64]
Stern 1995	5/36	14/18		14.1	0.18[0.08,0.42]
Stern 2000	1/9	4/9		2.8	0.25[0.03,1.82]
Talmor 1999	11/27	52 / 68		37.6	0.53[0.33,0.86]
Total(95%CI)	31 / 153	109 / 179		100.0	0.37[0.27,0.52]
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Test for overall effect z=-5					
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How low to go???

Original Article

Hypotensive Resuscitation Strategy Reduces Transfusion Requirements and Severe Postoperative Coagulopathy in Trauma Patients With Hemorrhagic Shock: Preliminary Results of a Randomized Controlled Trial

C. Anne Morrison, MD, MPH, Matthew M. Carrick, MD, Michael A. Norman, MD, Bradford G. Scott, MD, Francis J. Welsh, MD, Peter Tsai, MD, Kathleen R. Liscum, MD, Matthew J. Wall, Jr., MD, and Kenneth L. Mattox, MD



- 90 patients
- •Low MAP (50)
- Standard MAP (65)

Results

- Decreased Coagulopathy
- Lower incidence of transfusions
- •Lower transfusions -> Fewer deaths

What about in Non Traumas?

Dünser et al. Critical Care 2013, 17:326 http://ccforum.com/content/17/5/326



VIEWPOINT

Re-thinking resuscitation: leaving blood pressure cosmetics behind and moving forward to permissive hypotension and a tissue perfusion-based approach

Martin W Dünser*1, Jukka Takala2, Andreas Brunauer1 and Jan Bakker3

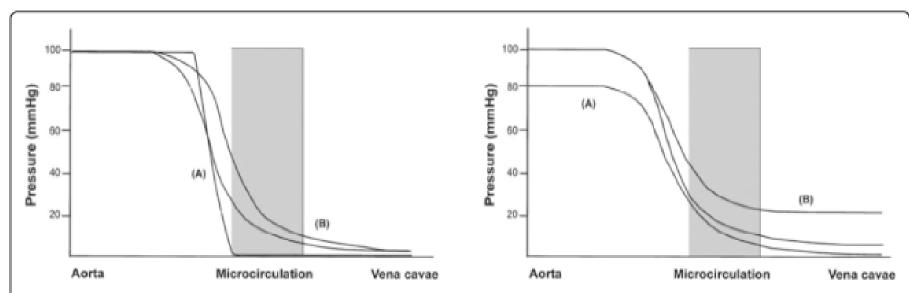
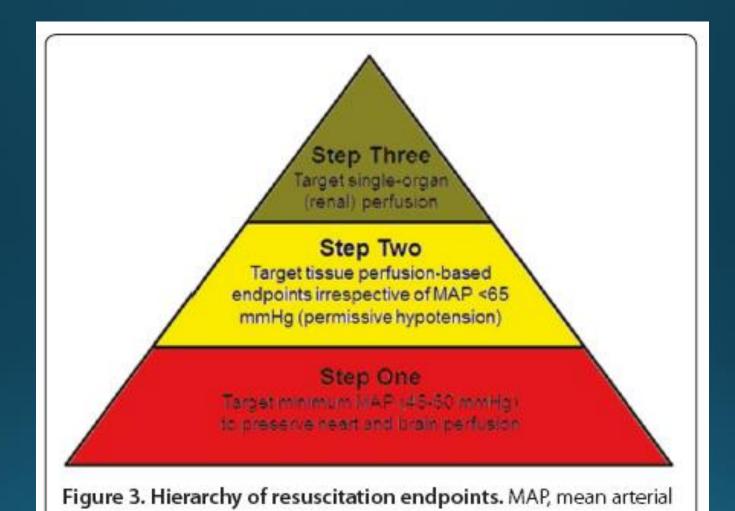
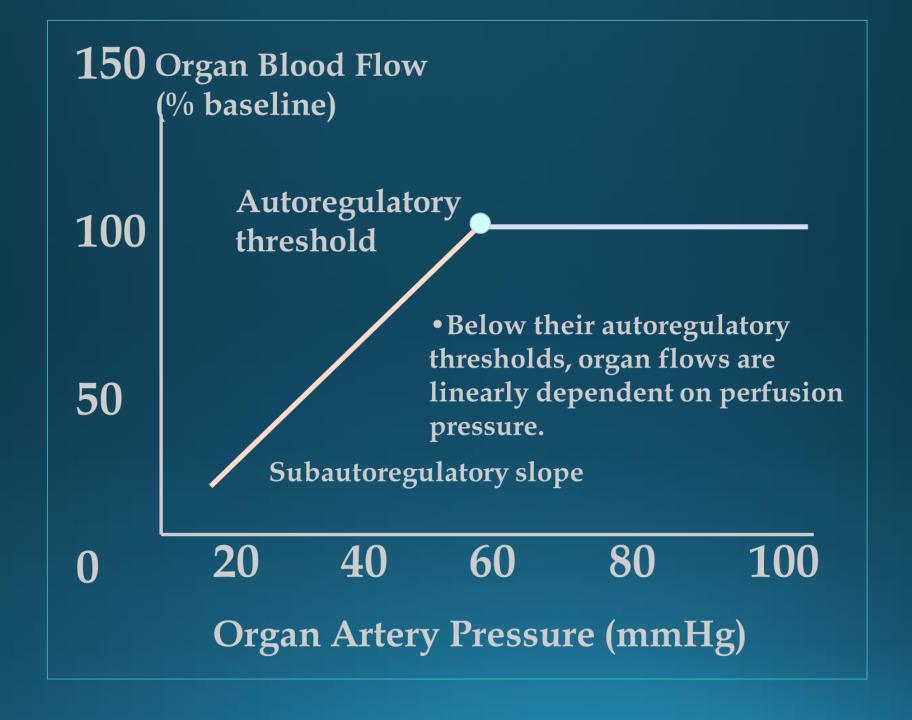


Figure 1. Hydrostatic pressures in circulation. Microcirculation pressure is indicated by shaded area. Values shown to the left and right indicate arterial and venous portions of circulation, respectively. Unlabeled solid curve in both frames represents a normal pressure profile. Left panel: curve A represents maximal arteriolar constriction, and curve B represents arteriolar dilation. Right panel: curves A and B represent decreasing arterial and increasing venous pressures, respectively. Reprinted with permission from the American Physiological Society [21].



blood pressure.



A Detour into Damage Control Surgery...

- Limited surgical interventions to control hemorrhage
- Until the patient has sufficient physiological reserve

Old Paradigm



- Damage control resuscitation
 - Starts in EMS
 - ED
 - OR
 - ICU
 - OR

•DCR involves hemostatic resuscitation, permissive hypotension (where appropriate) and damage control surgery

- Hemostatic resuscitation
- Permissive hypotension (where appropriate)
- Damage control surgery

- Maintain circulating volume
- Control hemorrhage
- Correct the 'lethal triad' of
 - Coagulopathy
 - Acidosis
 - Hypothermia
 - Until definitive intervention





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'DAMAGE CONTROL': AN APPROACH FOR IMPROVED SURVIVAL IN EXSANGUINATING PENETRATING ABDOMINAL INJURY

Michael F. Rotondo, MD, C. William Schwab, MD, FACS, Michael D. McGonigal, MD, FACS, Gordon R. Phillips, III, MD, Todd M. Fruchterman, BA, Donald R. Kauder, MD, FACS, Barbara A. Latenser, MD, and Peter A. Angood, MD

46 Total Patients
22 Subset of major vascular injury

Survival in Immediate Definitive Surgery 11%
Survival in Damage Control group 77%

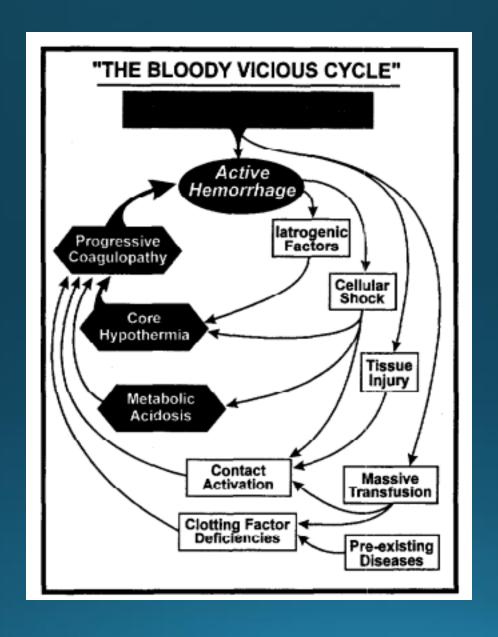
Staged Laparotomy for the Hypothermia, Acidosis, and Coagulopathy Syndrome

Ernest E. Moore, MD, Denver, Colorado

Rationale

 Management of the metabolic derangement of ongoing bleeding supersedes the need for definitive surgery

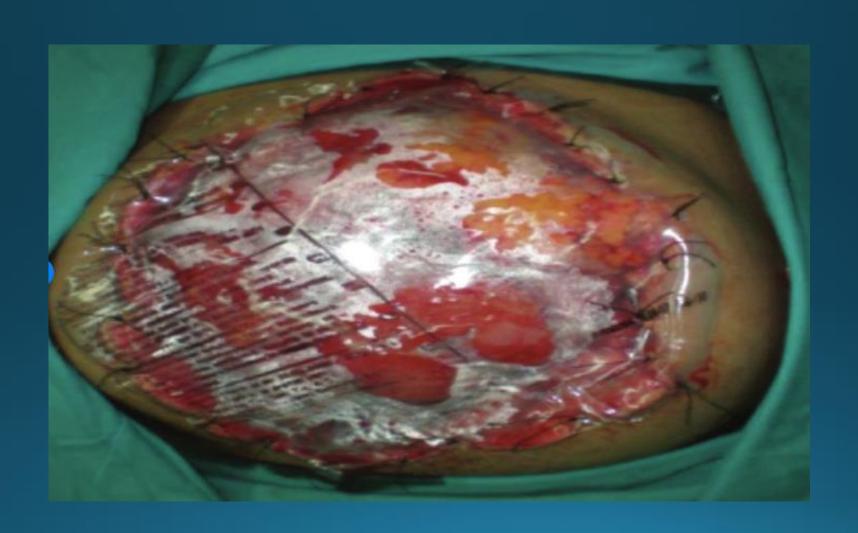
 Abbreviated operations that control hemorrhage and contain spillage from the GI and GU tracts



Staged process

- Stop bleeding
- Limit Contamination
- Close Abdomen to prevent heat/protein loss
 - Use of "Bogota Bag" when contents too swollen from inflammation





Next Stage

- Transfer to ICU
 - Hypothermia (ongoing hemostatic resuscitation)
 - Correction of acidosis
 - Coagulopathy

Hypothermia

- Hypothermic on arrival
- Inadequate protection
- IVF administration
- Ongoing blood loss
- ALL worsen it

Hypothermia

 Hemorrhagic shock → inadequate heat production

- Hypothermia exacerbates coagulopathy
- interferes with blood homeostatic mechanisms

Acidosis

- Inadequate cellular perfusion
- Anaerobic metabolism
- Production of lactic acid

- •-> Profound metabolic acidosis
- Interferes with blood clotting mechanisms
- Promotes coagulopathy
- Blood loss

Coagulopathy

- Hypothermia
- Acidosis
- Massive Blood Transfusions
- > coagulopathy
- Even if bleeding controlled, patients may continue to bleed from all cut surfaces
- Worsening of hemorrhagic shock

 worsening of hypothermia and acidosis

 prolonging the vicious cycle.

Final Stage



- Definitive operation is deferred
- These operations tend to have a high complication rate
 - Abdominal Compartment Syndrome

Benefits

- Maintenance of normothermia
- Less coagulopathy
- Fewer products used overall, despite increase in pre- and intra-operative blood product use
- May produce decreased Acute Lung Injury, Multi Organ Dysfunction, ARDS and improve survival

Take Home Points in DCS

- Recognition (EMS, Trauma, ICU)
- Hemostatic resuscitation (less NS)
- Rapid → to OR (Scoop and run)
- Initial Surgery (limited, clean, pack)
- •ICU (warm, correct coags)
- Re Operation 24-36 hrs (definitive surgery)

Cons on Permissive Hypotension??

- Largely based on animal studies; no high level evidence other than a non-blinded semi-randomized study by Bickell et al, 1994
- Varying interpretations of the meaning and goals of the permissive hypotension approach
- Must not miss non-hemorrhagic causes of hypotension (e.g. tension pneumothorax, pericardial tamponade)

Problems?

 Concerns in the setting of potential traumatic brain injury (TBI), as guidelines support at target CPP of >60 mmHg and retrospective data suggests SBP <90 doubles mortality (see Wiles, 2013)

 Appropriate BP varies with the individual (e.g. patients with chronic hypertension likely need higher blood pressures)

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 Liter of fluid for each IV
- Your transport time is 20 min from scene
- •BP stays at 80/50, HR 120

- You arrive at hospital and his pressure has remained low but consistent
- •BP 80/50, Pulse 110
- Goes to the OR
- Inferior Vena Cava and Hepatic injury
- Patient survives the initial trip as the Trauma team is able to visualize clot around IVC before pressure increased...

- Hepatic Injury Packed
- Vena cava injury addressed
- Bogota Bag Placed



- Goes to ICU with Bear Hugger
- Warmed blood products
- Stabilized



36 hours later...

- Swelling of abdominal contents decreases
- Returns to OR for re-exploration
- Packing of Liver Removed
- Mesh Placed for abdominal wall defect



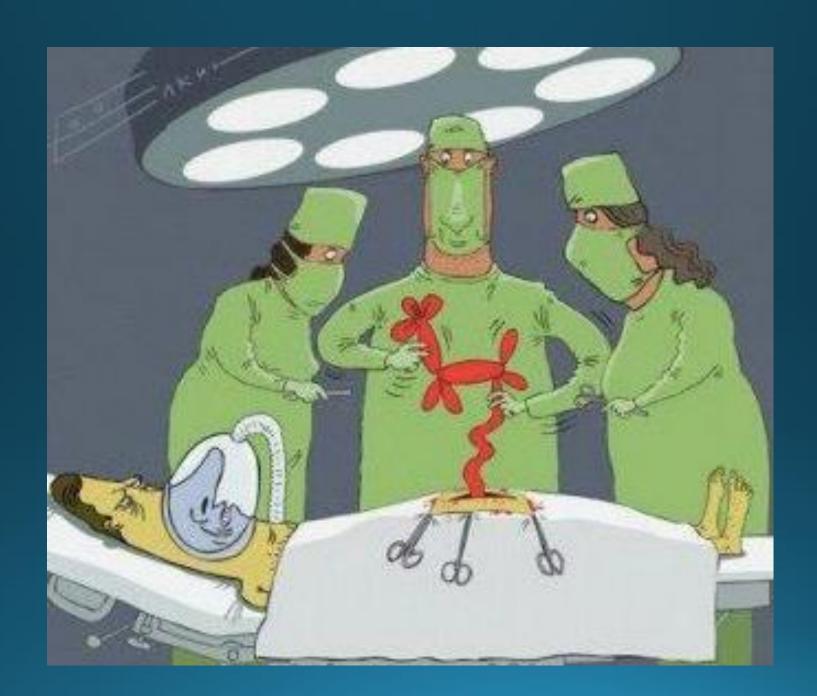
In Summary

- Permissive Hypotension is ONE aspect of Damage Control Trauma Surgery
- Keeping the tissue perfused but not OVER perfused leads to less clotting problems, less transfusions
- Stabilization first
 Address coagulopathy, hypothermia, acidosis
- Don't "Pop the Clot"
- Don't "Rush to Close"

• Questions?

Anecdotes from practice?

• Jokes?



Head Trauma in Older Adults: Burden of Disease and Trauma Triage



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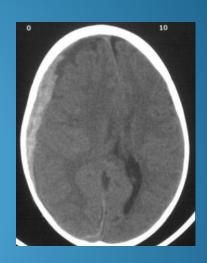
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Outline

Burden of disease

Gaps in knowledge

Recent research results



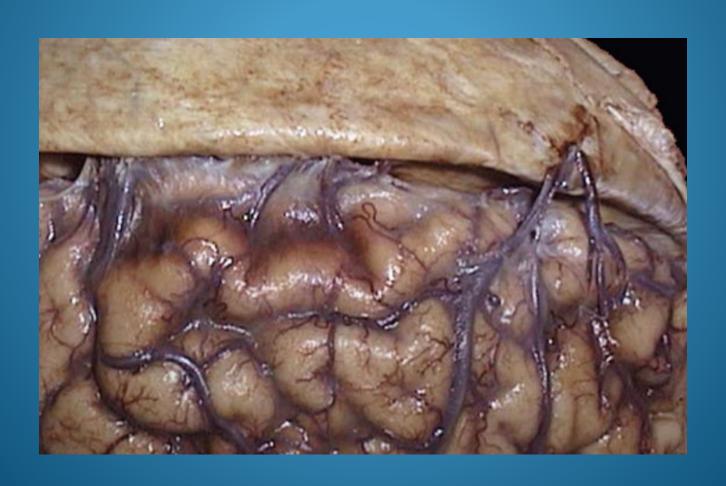


Burden of Disease

Older adults have higher morbidity and mortality after head trauma compared to younger adults¹



Atrophy and fragility of bridging veins



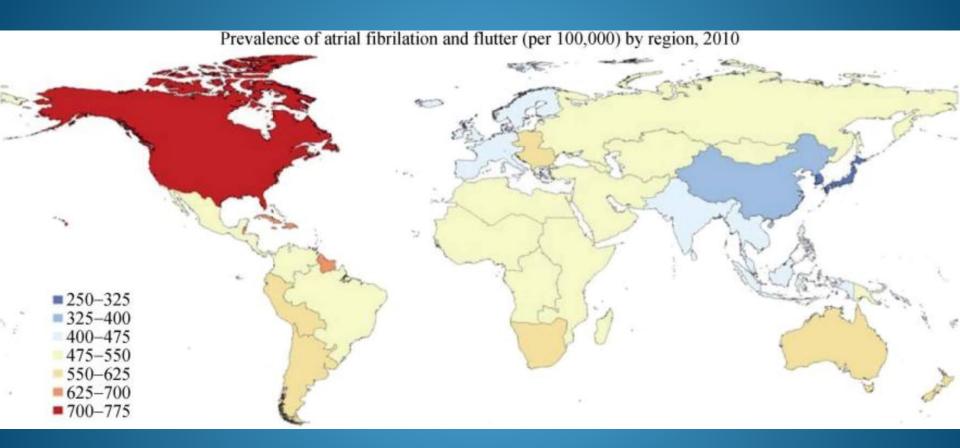
More comorbidities



More frequent use of anticoagulants



Burden of atrial fibrillation

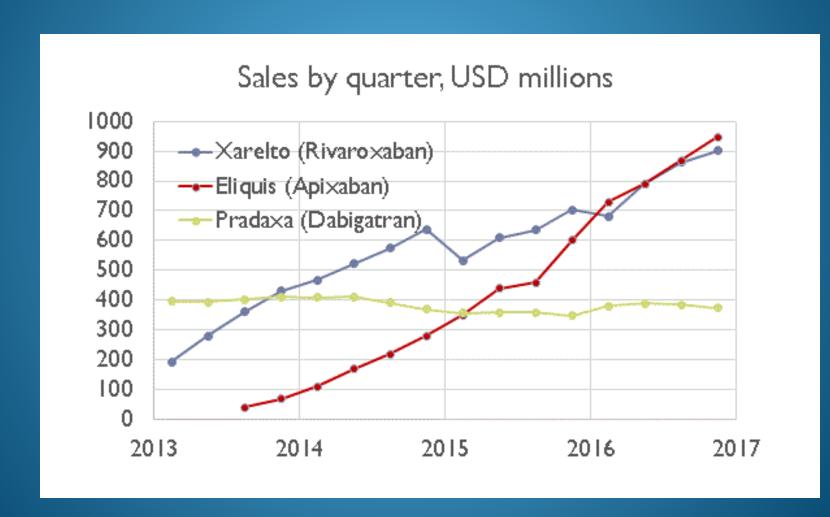


Burden of atrial fibrillation

Age 40



Market share



\$12 billion in US revenue







Undertriage

Older adults are more frequently triaged to nontrauma centers than younger patients with similar injuries 1,2



¹Chang DC et al. Arch Surg. 2008;143:776-781.

² Faul M et al. Prehosp Emerg Care. 2016;20:594-600.

Clinical Case

• 76 year old gentleman sustained a ground level fall with isolated head trauma. He has a history of atrial fibrillation and is currently taking warfarin. GCS score is 15.



Trauma center vs. Non-trauma center?

SPECIAL ARTICLE

A National Evaluation of the Effect of Trauma-Center Care on Mortality

Ellen J. MacKenzie, Ph.D., Frederick P. Rivara, M.D., M.P.H., Gregory J. Jurkovich, M.D., Avery B. Nathens, M.D., Ph.D., Katherine P. Frey, M.P.H., Brian L. Egleston, M.P.P., David S. Salkever, Ph.D., and Daniel O. Scharfstein, Sc.D.

- Compared mortality at trauma centers vs. non-trauma centers
- Severely injured patients
 - 20% in-hospital mortality reduction
 - 25% one-year mortality reduction

Current guidelines

- Guide triage of injured patients to trauma centers
- Since 1986, most recent update 2011
- Collaboration between the ACS-COT, NHTSA, and CDC
- Serves as national guidelines for EMS providers



Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

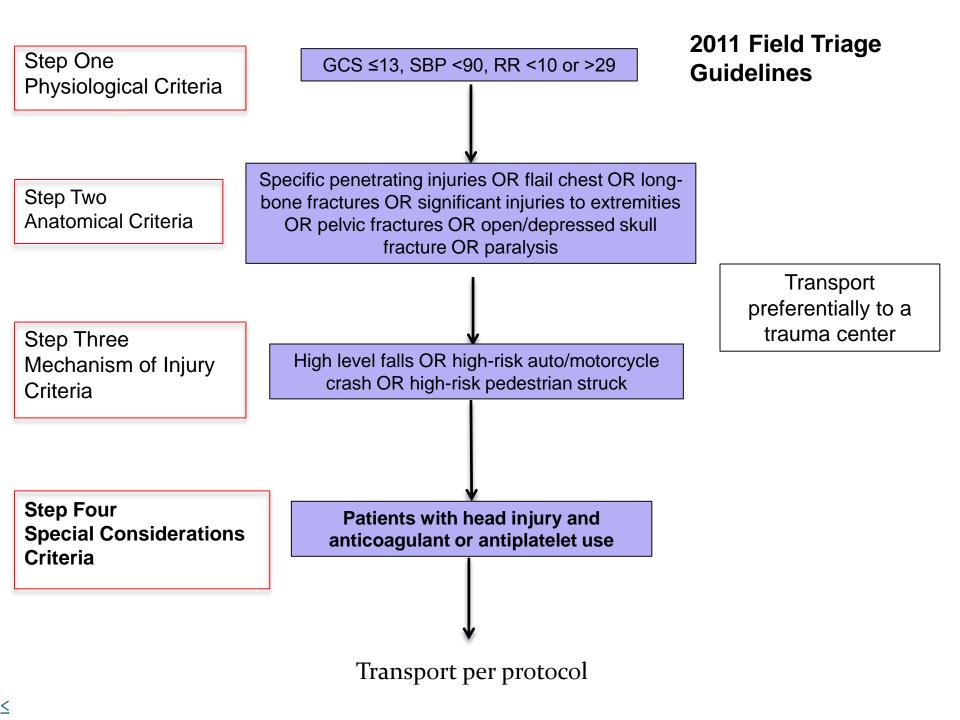
Guidelines for Field Triage of Injured Patients

Recommendations of the National Expert Panel on Field Triage, 2011



Continuing Education Examination available at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/cme/conted.html.





Anticoagulation or Antiplatelet Use

- Anticoagulant or antiplatelet use + head trauma
 - > traumatic intracranial hemorrhage (tICH) 29-30% 1,2
 - > risk for death OR 3-15 3
 - Recommendations based largely on retrospective, trauma registry studies



¹ Brewer et al. J Trauma 2011

² Chisholm et al. Am J Forensic Med Pathol 2010

³ Wong et al. J Trauma 2008

Older adults with head trauma

- How well do EMS providers identify anticoagulation use?
- What is the burden of disease?
- How well do current triage criteria work?
- Who should be transported to a trauma center?

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Hospital	Trauma Center Designation
UC Davis Medical Center	Level I
Sutter Roseville Medical Center	Level II
Mercy San Juan Hospital	Level II
Kaiser Permanente South	Level II
Mercy General Hospital	Non-trauma center
Methodist Hospital	Non-trauma center
Kaiser Permanente North	Non-trauma center
Kaiser Roseville Hospital	Non-trauma center
Sutter General Hospital	Non-trauma center
Sutter Memorial Hospital	Non-trauma center
Mercy Folsom Hospital	Non-trauma center

<u>Note</u>: Level I and II trauma centers have 24-hour neurosurgical and neurologic intensive care capabilities

EMS Agencies in Sac County

EMS Agency	%
• AMR	278 (13)
Cosumnes	150 (7)
Folsom	104 (5)
• SFD	952 (45)
 Sac Metro 	626 (30)

Study participants

- Inclusion
 - 55 years and older with blunt head trauma
- Exclusion
 - Interfacility transport
 - Prisoners and pregnant women
 - Unable to link EMS and hospital data

Anticoagulants and Antiplatelets

- Warfarin
- Direct oral anticoagulants: dabigatran, rivaroxaban, apixaban
- Aspirin
- Other antiplatelets: clopidogrel, ticlodipine, prasugrel, dipyridamole, cilostazol, and ticagrelor

Study procedures







EMS/hospital records linked → ED/hospital data abstracted

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DO EMS PROVIDERS ACCURATELY ASCERTAIN ANTICOAGULANT AND ANTIPLATELET USE IN OLDER ADULTS WITH HEAD TRAUMA?

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- Evaluate EMS medication ascertainment of anticoagulants and antiplatelet agents in older adults with head trauma
- Compared to reference standard of ED and hospital medication ascertainment



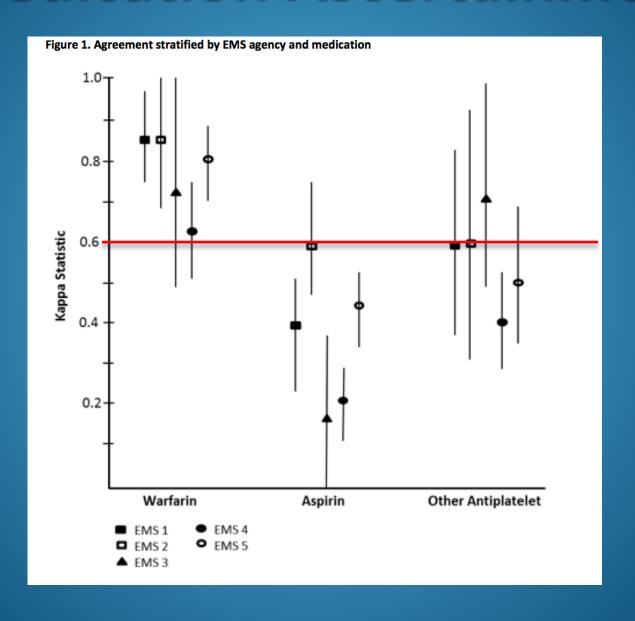
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ePCRs



ED/hospital data abstracted

Medication Ascertainment



Medication Ascertainment

Conclusion

 EMS and ED/hospital providers have acceptable agreement with warfarin but not with aspirin and other antiplatelet agent use

Older adults with head trauma

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Burden of disease

- 1,304 patients
 - > 73 years, 47% male, 72% fall from standing height or less
 - > 1,147/1,304 (88%) received CT imaging
 - > 112/1,147 (9.8%) had tICH on CT imaging
 - > 22/1,147 (1.9%) had neurosurgery/traumatic death

Burden of disease

Conclusion

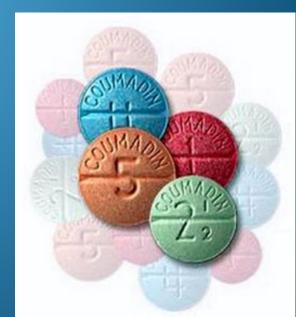
- Primarily ground level falls
- 10% tICH rate
- 2% NSG/death rate

Burden of disease

350 patients with TBI



Are older adults taking anticoagulants or antiplatelets at a greater risk for tICH vs. if not taking these medications?



Incidence of tICH

Medication	n	% (95% CI)
No anticoagulant or antiplatelet	65/713	9.1 (7.1-11.5)
Any anticoagulant or antiplatelet	47/434	10.8 (8.0-14.1)
Warfarin alone	8/88	9.1 (4.0-17.1)
Direct oral anticoagulant alone a	3/41	7.3 (1.5-20.0)
Aspirin alone	25/204	12.2 (8.1-17.6)
Other antiplatelet alone b	4/49	8.2 (2.3-19.6)
Concomitant medications dabigatran_rivaroxaban_apixaban_edo	7/52 xaban	13.5 (5.6-25.8)

^b - clopidogrel, ticlodipine, prasugrel, dipyridamole, cilostazol, and tigagrelor

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Incidence of in-hospital neurosurgery or traumatic death

Medication	n	% (95% CI)
No anticoagulant or antiplatelet	16/713	2.2 (1.3-3.6)
Any anticoagulant or antiplatelet	6/434	1.4 (0.5-3.0)
Warfarin alone	2/88	2.3 (0.3-8.0)
Direct oral anticoagulant alone a	0/41	0 (0-8.6)
Aspirin alone	1/204	0.5 (0-2.7)
Other antiplatelet alone b	2/49	4.1 (0.5-14.0)
Concomitant medications	1/52	1.9 (0-10.3)

^b - clopidogrel, ticlodipine, prasugrel, dipyridamole, cilostazol, and tigagrelor *J Neurotrauma* 2018;35(5):750-9

Adjusted analysis for tICH

Variable	OR (95% CI)
History of vomiting	6.65 (2.61 to 16.96)
Evidence of trauma above the clavicles	2.55 (1.33 to 4.88)
Step 1 to 3 criteria	2.49 (1.43 to 4.36)
Abnormal EMS GCS score, initial	2.06 (1.27 to 3.35)
Mechanism of injury other than a fall	1.92 (1.17 to 3.15)
from standing height or less	
Loss of consciousness or amnesia	1.63 (1.02 to 2.61)
Any anticoagulant or antiplatelet use	1.53 (0.99 to 2.38)
Age 80 years or older	1.53 (0.96 to 2.43)
History of headache	1.11 (0.44 to 2.76)

Sensitivity analysis: Adjusted analysis for tICH (warfarin + INR 2.0 or higher)

Variable	OR (95% CI)
History of vomiting	6.49 (2.56 to 16.49)
Evidence of trauma above the clavicles	2.53 (1.32 to 4.85)
Step 1 to 3 criteria	2.36 (1.35 to 4.11)
Abnormal EMS GCS score, initial	2.05 (1.26 to 3.34)
Mechanism of injury other than a fall	1.81 (1.10 to 2.96)
from standing height or less	
Age 80 years or older	1.63 (1.03 to 2.58)
Loss of consciousness or amnesia	1.62 (1.01 to 2.60)
Warfarin use + INR level 2.0 or higher	1.18 (0.48 to 2.87)
History of headache	1.11 (0.44 to 2.76)
Male sex	1.00 (0.66 to 1.54)

Conclusion

No substantial difference between anticoagulated and non-anticoagulated patients.

Older adults with head trauma

- How well do EMS providers identify anticoagulation use?
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How well do current triage criteria work?

Accuracy in predicting tICH:

- 1) Steps 1 to 3 criteria
- 2) Steps 1 to 3 criteria *and* anticoagulant or antiplatelet use
- 3) Actual transport to a trauma center
- 4) Actual transport and anticoagulant or antiplatelet use
- 5) Steps 1 to 3 criteria *and* multivariate logistic regression risk factors
- 6) Steps 1 to 3 criteria *and* binary recursive partitioning risk factors to identify tICH

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Triage criteria	Se	ensitivity	Specificity	
	n	% (95% CI)	n	% (95% CI)
Step 1-3 criteria	30/112	26.8 (19.5- 35.7)	935/1035	90.3 (88.4-92.0)
Step 1-3 + anticoagulant and antiplatelet criteria	71/112	63.4 (54.2-71.7)	577/1035	52.7 (52.7-58.7)

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Step 1-3 criteria and binary

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Step 1-3 + anticoagulant and antiplatelet criteria	71/112	63.4 (54.2-71.7)	577/1035	52.7 (52.7-58.7)
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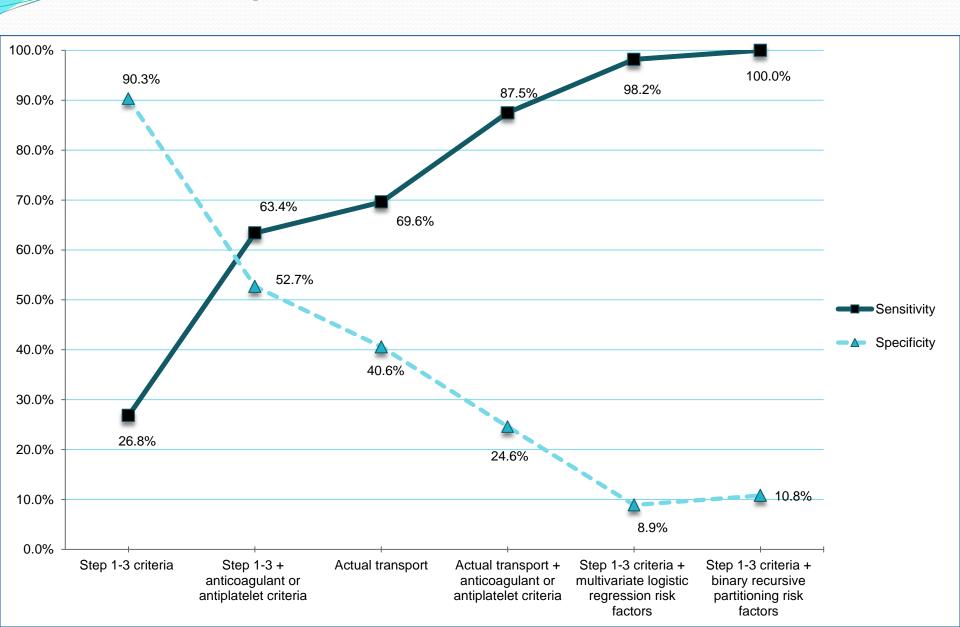
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Step 1-3 criteria and binary

Trade-off of sensitivity and specificity of selected triage criteria to identify tICH



Conclusion

- Current field triage guidelines not particularly accurate
- Inclusion of other risk factors leads to overtriage
- Difficult patient population to triage

Bottom line

- How well do EMS providers identify anticoagulation use?
 - Warfarin good, ASA and other antiplatelets not so good
- What is the burden of disease?
 - > 10% tICH, 2% NSG/death
 - No increased risk with AC/AP use
- How well do current triage criteria work?
 - Not so well
- Who should be transported to a trauma center?
 - Difficult patient population to triage

Next steps

- System implications of various triage criteria, interfacility transfers
- Shared decision making
- Resources for anticoagulation reversal
- Explore early post-hospitalization death

Questions???

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